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DOWNING STREET CHATS

London, Yesterday.

"Welcome to London. I hope your visit will be a very successful one," said Mr. Arthur Henderson, greeting Mr. H. L. Stimson, U.S. Secretary of State, on his arrival at Paddington. Mr. Stimson thanked him cordially and introduced his co-delegates and their wives.

General Dawes and the Hon. Hugh Gibson had met the party at Plymouth, which was the first occasion that all seven delegates were together. Much interest was shown by hundreds of spectators, whom a score of luxurious motor cars with the stars and stripes fluttering from the bonnets, attracted to the station, as well as the feminine element of the party, especially the seventeen girl secretaries, chosen from 100 Government office applicants whose beauty had been hymned in American newspapers. "They are as pretty as a beauty chorus," was the general comment. Mrs. Alexander and Mrs. Wedgwood Benn came specially to welcome the ladies, who included Miss Morrow, Colonel Lindbergh's sister-in-law. The whole party numbered 100.

MET BY MR. HENDERSON

London, Yesterday.

The American delegates to the Naval Conference arrived in London and met Mr. Arthur Henderson and Mr. A. V. Alexander. First Lord. They were cheered by a large crowd.

TALK WITH PREMIER

Within an hour of his arrival, Mr. Stimson saw Mr. Ramsay MacDonald at Downing Street. Their conversation lasted for some time.

THE ITALIANS ARRIVE

Signor Grandi and part of the Italian naval delegates arrived and were welcomed by Mr. Henderson and Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, on behalf of the Prime Minister.—Reuter.

WORLD TO LISTEN-IN

When the King opens the Naval Conference on Tuesday he will address the largest audience in history. Transmitters of the British Broadcasting Corporation, Canadian Beam Wireless Service, Trans-Atlantic Telephone and Continental Telephone Services will all be used to carry the Royal speech to millions of homes. From the London Station of the British Broadcasting Corporation the speech will reach France, Germany, Italy, Norway, Denmark, Sweden, Hungary, Austria and Czechoslovakia, relayed by telephone. Belgium and Holland will receive it from Daventry Broadcasting Station and re-transmit it. Australia, New Zealand, Japan, Finland and the National Broadcasting Company of the United States will be served by a wireless relay from SW experimental shortwave transmitter at Chelmsford. Canada will employ the Canadian Beam Transmission. The Columbia chain of broadcasting stations in the United States will use the Rugby Trans-Atlantic Telephone Service.

"FULL OF HOPE"

London, Yesterday. The George Washington with the American Naval Delegation aboard anchored in Plymouth Sound this morning two miles from the spot from where the ancestors of some of the delegates sailed with the Mayflower Pilgrims. Mr. Stimson, interviewed by Reuter, said that they had had a comfortable voyage and we are coming full of hope and with earnest endeavour to try and make the Conference a success.

Mr. Stimson declined to discuss the naval conference, but expressed the hope that the two delegations, and their wives, would be able to make a good impression for the life of existing battleship



ALLEGED PIRACY SUSPECTS

CHARGE SHEET "A THOROUGH MIX-UP"

until the next revision of Naval Armaments in five or six years' time. They desire also to secure agreement at once that when that time comes, new battleships built to replace those which will then be out of date—if it is still thought necessary to replace them—should be of smaller tonnage and gunpowder. A proposal much to the same effect was made by the late Conservative Government at the Geneva Conference, and met with hopeful reception. Lord Bridgeman estimated that if it had been adopted it would have meant the saving of about fifty millions sterling in the period of replacement.

TIMES BENEDICTION

The London Times says, "No doubt the reductions advocated can hardly be as sweeping as both economists and an important section of naval opinion would like to see them. The British Government are rightly sensitive to the danger of bringing forward too drastic proposals which might wreck all chance of agreement. But after long years, during which through unrestricted competition the size and cost of every class of warship have soared continuously upward an agreement to reverse the process would be a very welcome achievement.—British Wireless Service.

JAPAN AND CAPITAL SHIPS

Tokyo, Yesterday. Japan's interest in the Naval Conference is evidenced by the fact that Mr. Ramsay MacDonald's statement to the Press on Wednesday was cabled verbatim to Tokyo, where it was carefully studied by the Foreign Office.

Mr. MacDonald's proposal for the eventual abolition of capital ships is judged to be particularly significant.

The official spokesman of the Foreign Office said that while general Japanese opinion was hardly ready to accept the idea, it was showing a "surprising" response in a wide and influential circle.

He stated that Japan was agreeable to an extension of the capital ship "holiday" until 1938, and "if within that period American and British opinion approved of capital ship abolition, the Japanese people would probably be ready to follow their lead."

It was pointed out that Japan's capital ship fleet cost a larger proportion of her national income than that of any other Power; hence the strong conservative feeling against scrapping ships for which the nation had sweated to pay.—Reuter.

AIR MAIL THEFT

Snatched By Men in Motor Cars

Rugby, Yesterday. After six mail-bags had been delivered at the Air Ministry today, two of them were snatched by a man who drove off with a confederate in a motor-car. He stated that all he knew was that the charge which was sent to him was that in connection with the murder of Mr. Woodward, and he went up to Mr. Murphy two other charges in connection with the piracy. He had nothing to do with the charge of the men.

Mr. Hamilton replied that he couldn't help it, adding "Someone is responsible."

DRIZZLE OR MISTY

To-day's weather report, issued at 10.50 a.m. by the Royal Observatory, states:

The anti-cyclone remains in the North of the Yangtze Valley, and has increased slightly in intensity.

Fresh monsoon will prevail along the China coast and over the North China Sea.

Forecast: N.E. winds, fresh; cloudy, with drizzle or mist.

remarked: "It is all wrong here; a thorough mix up."

He went on to say that originally the first two men were charged with the murder of Mr. Woodward. The statements in answer to that charge were sent to him. The statements in answer to the piracy charge was not sent to him, and he never gave authority for them to be put in at all.

The Magistrate replied that it was technical, but very annoying, and asked Mr. Andrews to go into the matter.

An Explanation

It was explained to Pressmen by Mr. Andrews that originally the first two men were charged with the murder of Mr. Woodward, and when the third man came out of hospital, he sent up to Mr. Murphy two other charges accusing all three men with the murder of the Indian Guard, Khalil Singh, and with piracy with violence.

He could not understand how the charges got mixed up in such a way that the various men were charged with different offences separately.

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Mr. Hamilton thought it would be better if he gave a final hearing to have the matter straightened out, adding: "Will you be pre-

SNOWDEN'S CAUSTIC BROADSIDES

DELEGATES SHOULD BE LOCKED UP WITHOUT FOOD OR DRINK

STUNG INTO ACTION

The Hague, Yesterday.

Mr. Snowden's broadsides against German daily dallying had an immediate effect last week. He has now found another target in the Little Entente and Hungary, whom to-day were accused of nothing but talk for a fortnight. There were only two alternatives; to postpone the conference to Doomsday or lock up the delegates without food or drink until they agreed, whereupon the delegates concerned closed themselves together, fully determined to settle non-German reparations.

The mobilisation of reparations bonds has been settled and the International Bank will float before October 31, 1930, a loan of \$300,000,000, of which the creditors will get two-thirds, and Germany the remainder. Germany undertakes to consult the International Bank before raising loans abroad, in order not to impede the issue. Further, reparation bonds in the Swedish Match Trust Loan of 500,000,000 marks, will be placed in the international market for four years.—Reuter.

Refuse To Sign

The Hague, Yesterday.

The representatives of Yugoslavia, Roumania and Czechoslovakia have refused to sign the Young Plan unless an agreement is reached with Hungary. There is still no indication if such an agreement is in sight.—Reuter.

SHOULD A WIFE HAVE LEGAL RIGHTS?

U.S. COURT UPHOLDS HER HAVING SEPARATE DOMICILE

A RECENT CASE

New York, Yesterday.

The right of a wife to maintain a separate domicile from her husband was upheld in the United States Customs Court in a case where Madame Ganna Walska, an opera singer, the wife of Harold F. McCormick, resisted the efforts of Customs officers to levy duty on her jewels and other personal property, on the ground that she resided in Paris and was entitled to the exemption allowed to foreign visitors.

Miss Genevieve Cline, the first woman justice appointed to any Federal Court, supports the opinion of Madame Walska that the rights of women to distinct legal entity should be recognised.—Reuter's American Service.

NEW BRITISH AIR SERVICE

FLIGHTS TO IRELAND, SWEDEN AND S. AFRICA PLANNED

POWERFUL FLYING BOATS

Rugby, Yesterday.

It is understood this year's estimates of the Air Ministry will provide for an increased expenditure on civil aviation largely for flyingboat development and the subsidising of the new commercial airways. The extension of inland air lines is under contemplation. If agreement can be reached with the Irish Free State, a regular service to Belfast and Dublin will be opened. In addition, negotiations have been going on regarding the inauguration of a regular flying-boat line between Norway and Sweden and either the mouth of the Thames or some suitable port on the East Coast.

The Air Ministry, it is stated unofficially, has decided also to develop on an extensive scale large commercial flying-boats. Some of these are already on the stocks; others will be laid down during the coming financial year. Although these new planes will be of experimental types, they will, if the trials are successful, be built in considerable numbers.

They will be all-metal and most of them will be able to carry between 40 and 50 passengers. Their range will be of about 1,000 miles. One of the first to be launched will have accommodation for 50 passengers and, if the present intention of equipping it with six Napier engines is followed, it will be driven by over 4,000 horsepower. It is expected that this vessel will be tried out on the first stage of the Cairo-Cape airway, which will have been opened before the end of the year.—British Wireless Service.

R. 100'S LONG FLIGHT

Safe Return After 13½ Hours in Air

Rugby, Yesterday.

The airship R-100 which left Cardington soon after nine o'clock yesterday morning with 58 persons on board was moored at Cardington just late last night after a flight of nearly thirteen and a half hours.

During the early part of the flight speed trials were carried out which were quite successful, an estimated speed of 81.5 miles per hour being attained. For the greater part of the day the ship flew at a height of 2,000 feet above thick fog and low clouds which generally obscured the ground. Positions were obtained by wireless telegraphy when required. The main purpose of the flight was to run the ship at full speed in order to test slope. An experimental system of attachment has been adopted which, it is hoped, may have as much as four tons in weight in future flights.

High Winds Defied

High winds were encountered during the flight but the speed attained was the highest yet recorded by the airship. She returned in darkness to Cardington against a wind of forty miles an hour and although low clouds permitted only momentary glimpses of the ground the operation of locking her home on the masthead occupied only 22 minutes.—British Wireless Service.

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CLASS HATRED

Newspaper Seized by the Police

Berlin, Yesterday.

The police have confiscated the whole of to-day's issue of the Communist newspaper Rote Fahne on the ground that it contained articles calculated to provoke criminal acts, high treason and class hatred.

Reuter.

INDO-CHINA FLIGHT

Indochina, Yesterday.

Colonel Welsch and Commandant Girier took off and set course towards Tonkin this morning en route for Indo-China by easy stages.

The wireless loud-speaker has been fitted to a taxi-cab in Paris. The experiment is said to work very well.

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By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary,
Hong Kong, 14th January, 1930.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

ANNUAL RACE MEETING

February 22, 24, 25 and 26
and March 1, 1930.

DRAFT PROGRAMMES and
ENTRY FORMS are now ready and may be obtained upon application to the Secretary.

Hong Kong, January 8, 1930.

HONG KONG SOCIETY FOR THE
PROTECTION OF CHILDREN.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR, Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G., will preside at the CONSTITUENT MEETING to be held in the City Hall, on TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 5 p.m.

Ladies and gentlemen who are interested are invited to attend. The Business of the Meeting will be to adopt a constitution for a Society for the Protection of Children and to elect officers and General and Executive Committees.

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The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from Tuesday, 21st January to Tuesday, 11th February, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
L. S. GREENHILL,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 14th January, 1930.

NOTICE.

RECEPTION TO H.E. THE
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on

WEDNESDAY, 22nd January, 1930

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on

The Hong Kong Cricket Club
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Hong Kong, 17th January, 1930.

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January 19, 1930,

2nd Sunday after Epiphany.

Holy Communion, 8 a.m.

Holy Communion (Peak Church),

8 a.m.

Children's Service, 10 a.m.

Sunday School at Peak School,

10 a.m.

Matins and Sermon, 11 a.m.

Preacher: Rev. H. V. Koop,

Holy Communion (Peak Church),

12.15 p.m.

Evensong, 6 p.m.

Preacher: Rev. L. N. Watkins,

Social Evening in Cathedral

Hall after Evensong.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH
KOWLOON.

January 19, 1930,

2nd Sunday after Epiphany.

8.15 a.m.—Holy Communion,

10 a.m.—Children's Service.

11 a.m.—Morning Prayer and Sermon. Preacher: Rev. R. H. V. Brougham, M.A., of S. Australia.

2.45 p.m.—Sunday Schools.

6 p.m.—Evening Service and Sermon. Preacher: The Vicar.

Subject: "The League of Nations."

N.B.—Services will have special reference to the forthcoming "Five Power Naval Conference."

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Subject: "Life."

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Hong Kong, 17th January, 1930.

PLAN OF CAMPAIGN
INTERCEPTEDTANG'S TROOPS BESIEGED AND
DISARMED

HIS BROTHER MUTINIES

Hankow, Yesterday.

It was the original plan that Tang's remnants were to concentrate at Chiechishow to be reorganized by General Yen Hsien, but, on January 12, the rebels

around the vicinity of Yen-cheng, were, however, besieged and shortly afterwards completely disarmed by General Liu Shih, the Field Com-

mander of the 2nd Route Army.

The prisoners, numbering over

10,000, will be transported to Wu-

Han to-morrow.

Mutineers Moved

Chuchow, Yesterday.

General Shih Yu-san's troops, who mutinied at Pukow some weeks ago, have now compiled with the instructions of the Central Government to move into Shantung Province,

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† BENGAL MARU Friday, 31st January.
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† DELAGOA MARU Monday, 17th February.
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RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES—Via Salyon, Singapore,
Colombo, Durban & Cape Town.
MONTEVIDEO MARU Wednesday, 22nd January.
HAWAII MARU Tuesday, 25th February.
IBAY—Via Singapore & Colombo.
SHUNKO MARU Sunday, 19th January.
HONOLULU MARU Monday, 3rd February.
* Proceeds to Karachi.
URAN, LOURENCO MARQUES, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR & MOMBASA—Via Singapore & Colombo.
CHICAGO MARU Friday, 7th February.
CUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
BORNEO MARU Saturday, 18th January.
SEATTLE MARU Saturday, 1st February.
TOKIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER—Via Japan Ports from
Shanghai.
AFRICA MARU (From Shanghai) Sunday, 2nd February.
BOURNE—Via Manila, Brisbane & Sydney.
HIMALAYA MARU Friday, 7th February.
PHONG—Via Hobo & Pekko.
MENADO MARU Thursday, 23rd January.
W YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco & Panama.
ADAM MARU Tuesday, 21st January.
AMAZON MARU Tuesday, 21st January.
MADRAS MARU Friday, 24th January.
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PIRACIES AND WRECKS

Review of Shipping on China Coast For 1929

SEA'S HEAVY TOLL

Twelve Steamers and One Man-of-War Sunk

PRINCIPAL ACCIDENTS

Thirteen large vessels, all regular visitors to the Port of Shanghai, went to the bottom during the past year. With the exception of the Chinese str. Yuen Lee which sank in the Garden Bend and the C.N.S. Tungting which sank in the Yangtsze just below Hankow, all were wrecked or foundered at sea. Included in this total is the Italian destroyer Muggia which ran on to Finger Rock near Foochow and was abandoned. The first big disaster of the year occurred on January 13 when the China Merchants str. Hsin Wah sank near Waglan Island after striking a rock.

THE HAICHING PIRACY

There were five major piracies and many minor ones. The outstanding piracy of the year was that perpetrated on the Douglas str. Haiching when the pirates set fire to the ship after their attack had been repulsed by the captain, officers, engineers, and Indian guard. Perhaps the worst disaster of the year was the sinking of the China Merchants str. Hsin Wah referred to above. The vessel struck a rock at night in terrible weather and many passengers were drowned in the icy waters.

An Outstanding Event
The outstanding event of the year in shipping was the saving of the C.N.S. Fengtien whilst on a voyage from Tientsin to Shanghai. The vessel left Tongku on December 12, and encountered mountainous seas and a blinding snow storm. She was driven far off her course, the propeller shaft was broken and repaired by the engineers whilst the ship was pitching and rolling to an alarming extent, and after battling the elements for 132 hours, the vessel arrived in Chefoo harbour. The normal run is 18 hours. The greatest heroism was displayed by captain, officers, engineers, and crew and the story of the terrible voyage has been told and retold many times. The ship arrived in Shanghai on December 21 and a full account of the trip is given in the North-China Sunday News dated December 22.

There is one matter which might be mentioned and that is the lack of accidents in the Tientsin district. This is, of course, due to the fact that the river has been closed during the greater part of the year and also that there has not been the usual volume of trade from inland points.

Some Surprising Statistics
During the year under review nearly 1,000 wrecks, and/or shipping accidents and casualties have occurred either at sea off the China coast, in the rivers, or in the harbours.

In the Yangtsze estuary, approaches to Shanghai, and in the harbour itself, something approaching 300 shipping accidents—large and small—have taken place during the year. This total cannot be said to be abnormal but it will be remembered that during the first months of the year—March in particular—collisions and accidents in which ocean liners and the larger steamers entering and leaving the port were involved were more in evidence than in previous years. In one case, four ships were in collision in one day.

As has been stated the figures are not abnormal when one considers the vast amount of shipping which enters and clears the port of Shanghai.

A conservative estimate of the tonnage of vessels using this port in the course of the year is as follows:

Tonnage
Ocean steamers 12,000 30,000,000
River steamers 5,000 7,000,000
Other craft 6,000 —

Cargo Boat Collisions

The files show that there were many accidents with loss of life in which cargo boats, stone and brick boats, and various native craft were involved. These unfortunate occurrences were in most cases undoubtedly due to the inability of loadahs to judge the distance and speed of oncoming steamers and, also, it must be said, to their apparent disregard of the rules of the river. These accidents were almost all of the "running down" type. For instance a steamer would be leaving port with a strong tide running with her and accordingly not able to reduce her "way" as quickly as she would, ordinarily be able. A cargo boat would be seen attempting to cross the river. Warning blasts would be sounded by the steamer. These would be disregarded by the cargo boat loadah except that he would induce his men to "yuloh" for all they were worth. Too late, the loadah would find that he had misjudged the distance and speed of the oncoming vessel with the result that a relentless and towering bow crashed into his craft cutting it in

pirate leader had been killed and three others wounded, the attack was abandoned, the pirates returning to Ta Yu where they released the launch.

April 4. The Chinese tugs Wen-ka and Lientung with lighters in tow in the Hankow district were pirated. The comrade was kidnapped and held for ransom and all the money and valuables on board were taken by the pirate band. Customs documents were destroyed.

April 19. The Japanese str. Fouling Maru was fired on by troops one mile below Shasi. The Japanese chief engineer, a naval officer, and a Chinese sailor were killed. The Chinese boatswain and four Japanese soldiers were wounded by rifle and shell fire.

August 18. The Chinese str. Shouliang struck a rock off the south coast of Sand Island in the Hainan Straits. She became a total loss. Pirates boarded her and after ransacking the vessel took the captain and officers and held them for ransom.

May 13. The Chinese m.v. Mansang was bombarded at the junction of the north and west rivers. The vessel was carrying Kuangai soldiers and after they had been landed the vessel was bombarded by a Kuangtung gunboat and burnt to the water's edge.

Many other minor piracies occurred during the year at various points off the coast in which junks and launches were the unfortunate victims. Many lives were lost and much cargo was stolen or destroyed.

The Unlucky Thirteen

Details of the steamers sunk are as follows:

January 15. The China Merchants str. Hsin Wah sank near Waglan Island after striking a rock. There was great loss of life.

January 20. The Chinese str. Hengchong sank 15 miles N.W. of Shweishan lighthouse. Over 50 lives were lost.

February 17. The Chinese str. Pingfu struck a rock, sank, and later was blown up at a spot about 32 miles above Ichang.

March 12. The Norddeutscher Lloyd str. Giessen struck Button Rock and later broke in two. No lives were lost and the bulk of the cargo subsequently was salved. Included in the salvage was a telegraph cable weighing 350 tons—16 nautical miles in length—and valued at £12,000.

March 25. The Chinese Government patrol trawler Fu Hai foundered near Kliuton Beacon.

March 25. The Italian destroyer Muggia ran on to Finger Rock near Foochow and was abandoned. All officers and ratings were taken off.

March 27. The Chinese str. Kiangtai collided with the Italian man-of-war Libia near the Quarantine Buoy off Woosung and sank. Over 60 lives were lost.

March 30. The C.N.S. Tungting struck an uncharted rock off the Low Point in the vicinity of Spit Hill just below Hankow and sank in 36 ft.

July 21. The C.M.S. Hsinkong collided with the N.Y.K. Tatsuma Maru near the N.E. point of Hainan Island. The collision occurred in a fog and the Hsinkong sank immediately in 25 fathoms.

August 6. The Chinese str. Hong-on sank in a typhoon near the N.E. point of Hainan Island. Many lives were lost.

August 8. The Ching Kee str. Sheng-Lee sank in a typhoon near Hainan Island with all hands.

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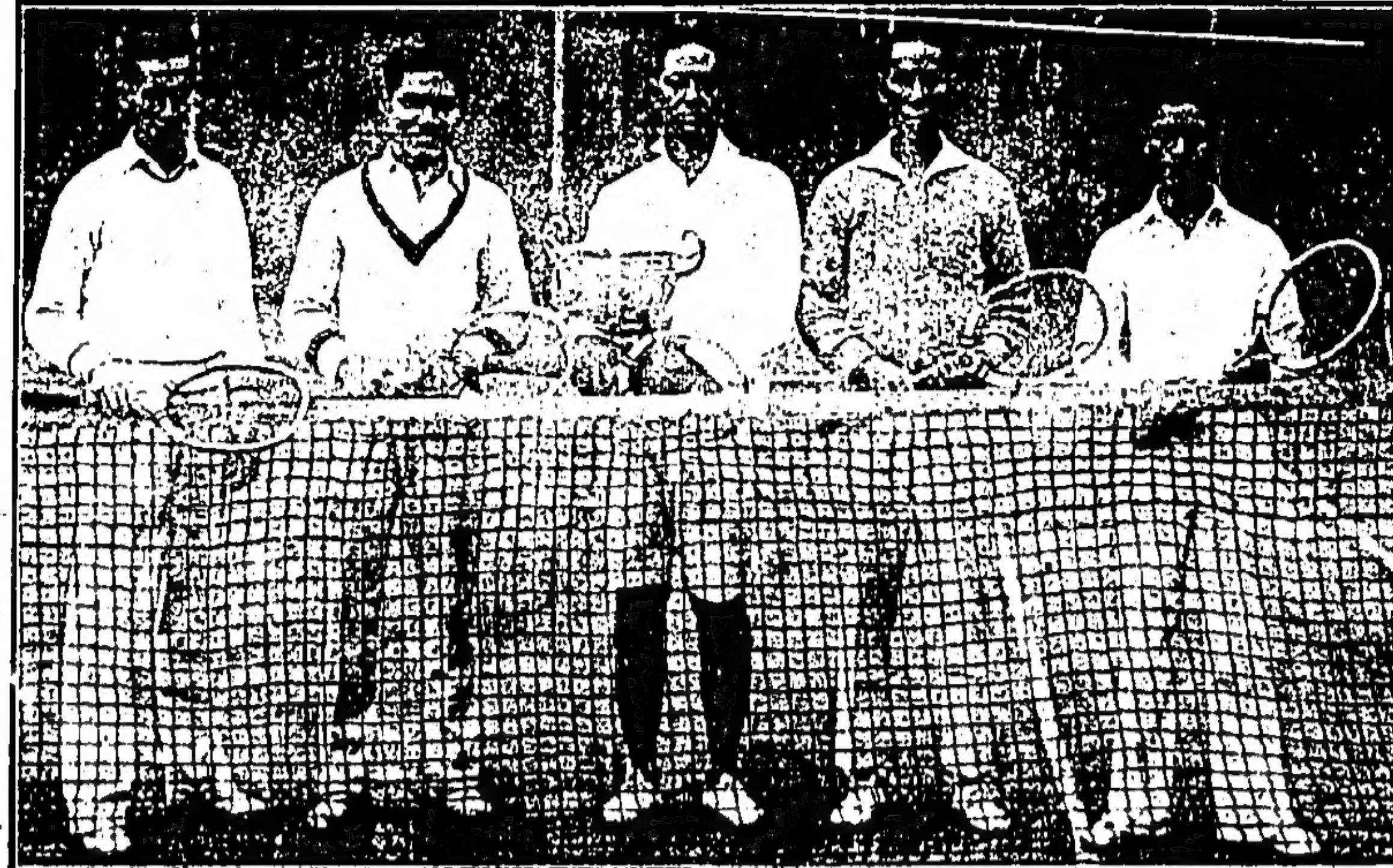
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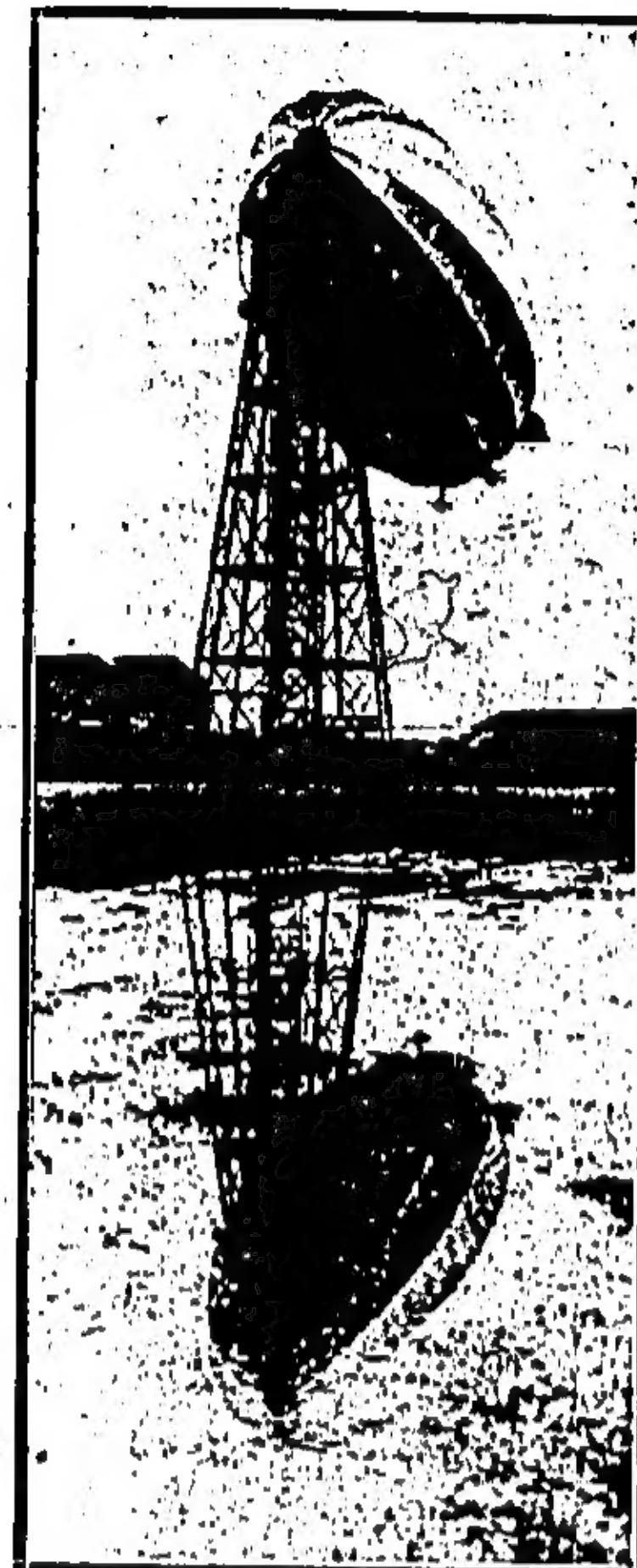
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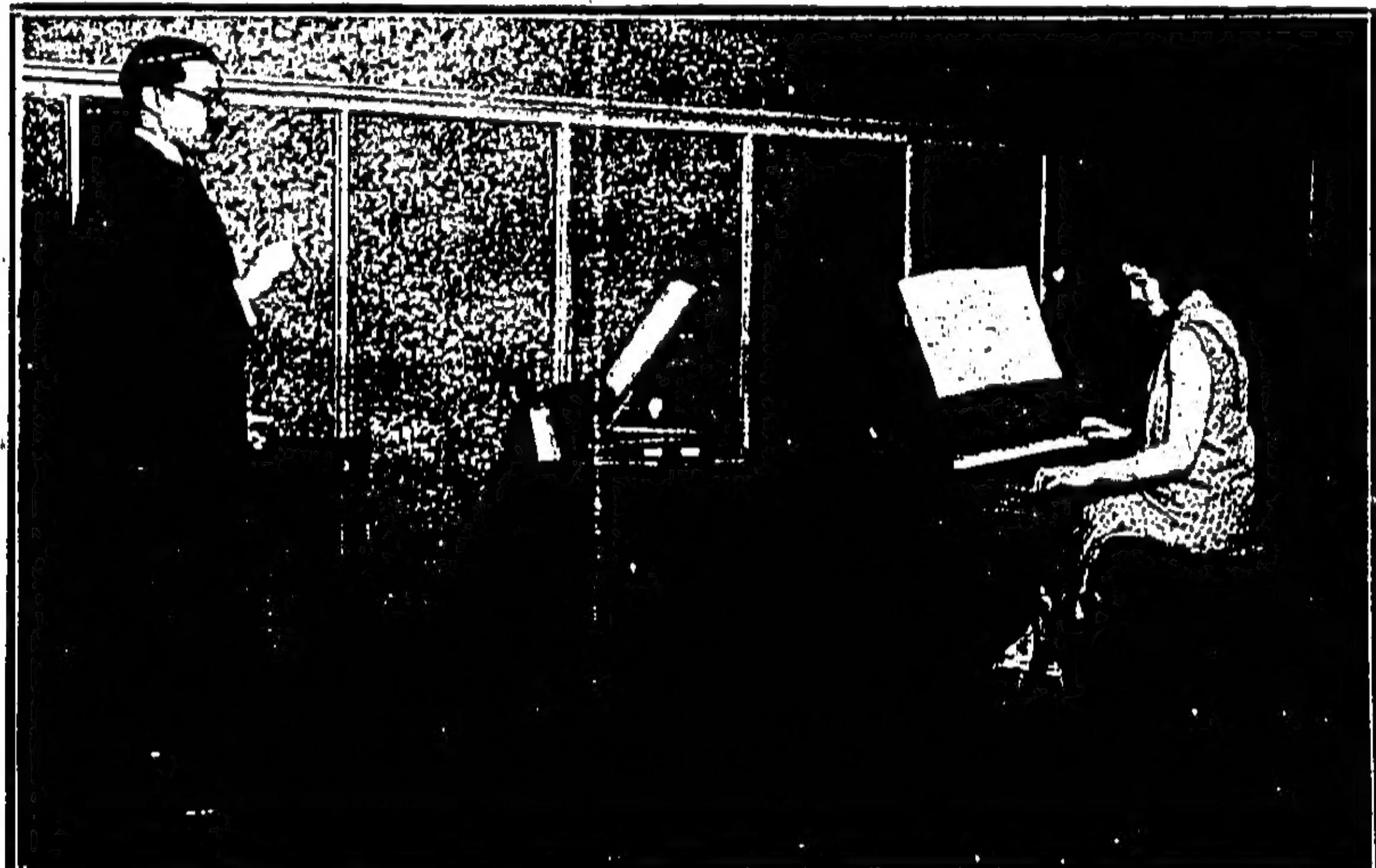
THE DRAGON TEAM.—Of the Municipal Athletic Association, winners of the 1929 Canton International Tennis League and the B.A.T. trophy. Left to right:—Messrs. Yew Man-kit, Ho Tsung-mung, Wong Po-keung (captain), Lau Fuk-lun, Leung Tak-kwong, most of whom have played in the Hong Kong competitions.



AIRSHIP'S REFLECTION.—The R. 100 of Britain, the world's latest and most powerful airship, at the mooring mast at Cardington, Bedfordshire, reflected in the water-logged fields beneath.



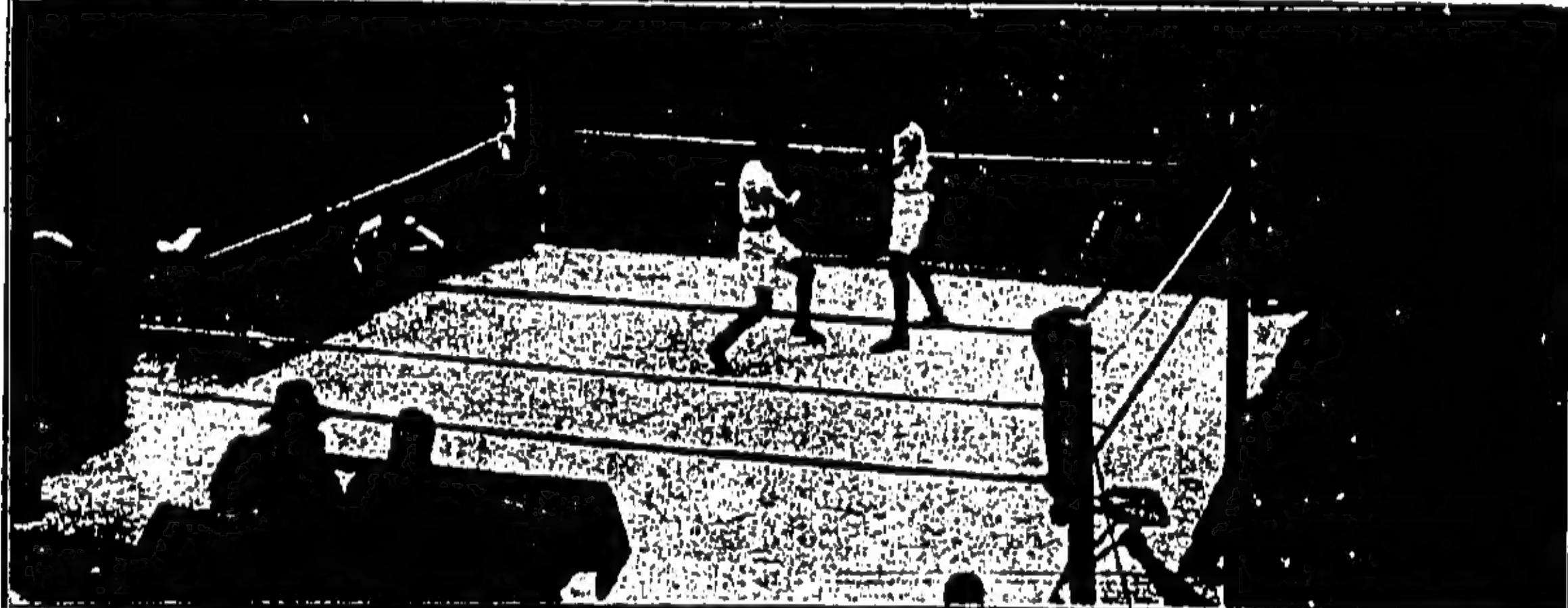
WELL-KNOWN AUSTRALIAN FAMILIES UNITED.—At the wedding in St. John's Cathedral of Dr. Edward Sun of Brisbane and Miss Constance Quan of Glen Innes.—(A. Fong).



MUSIC FROM THE ETHER.—Prof. Maurice Martenot, on left, with his musical sound waves instrument, which he plays from a distance by very slightly displacing his hand in space. Simple movements communicated to a thread are sufficient to regulate the vibrations. On the right is the Parisian inventor's sister, Ginette Martenot. The instrument will be in Hong Kong by the end of the year.



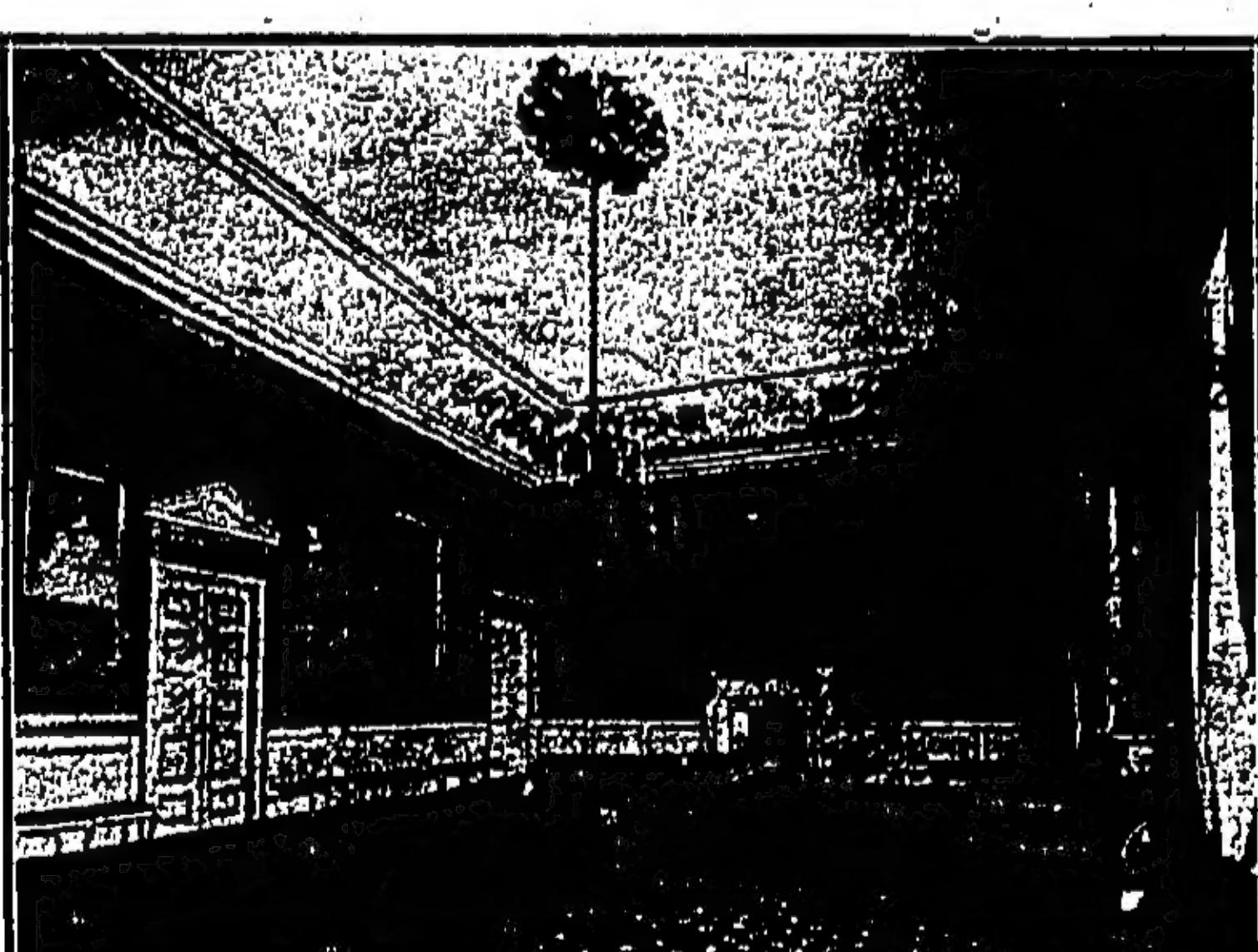
FIFTY YEARS A DUKE.—The Duke of Portland on the 50th anniversary of his succession to the dukedom.



BOXING AT MURRAY BARRACKS.—The Hong Kong Area inter-unit competition, in which the 2nd Bn. K.O.S.B. and the 1st Bn. Somerset L.I. tied with 26 points each.—(K. Fujiyama).



EX-WATER-CARRIER KING OF AFGHANISTAN.—Bachcha-e-Saqqa, his brother Hamidullah and their companions, hanged by the neck at Kabul, with their names attached, after being shot dead, as an example to future revolutionaries, following their overthrow.—(Sport and General).



ST. JAMES'S PALACE.—The conference room, where the five-Power Naval Conference is being held in London.



(At right).—MR. WEDGWOOD BENN.—Secretary of State for India, one of the British delegates attending the naval conference.



PHONE BOX MARVEL.—In reality, a miniature police station, by which the public can call for assistance. It has been introduced successfully in England.



"NU TIEN CHU" (The Mistress of the Inn).—This is a Chinese translation of "La Locandiera," and was presented by the Chinese Dramatic Club of St. John's University, Shanghai, in celebration of the 50th anniversary of the University. Standing (left to right):—Messrs. Z. C. Fong, Y. F. Chung, Li K. Lien, L. S. Lien, A. L. Hsien, B. Z. Yen, S. Yao, C. C. Yu, Y. F. Tong, (Aust. Director), Z. Z. Chu (Director). Sitting (left to right):—Messrs. Y. C. Woo, P. W. Hsu, S. B. Chao, H. C. Ying, K. Y. Wuang, S. Y. Tsong.—(Chung Hwa Studio).

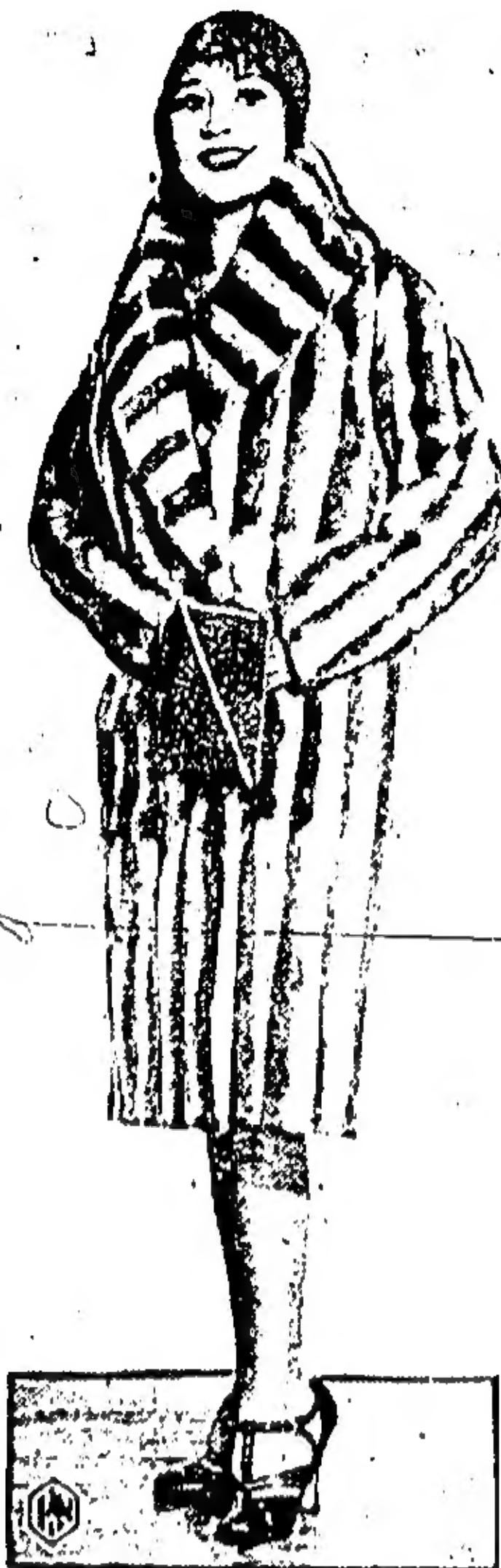
CHINESE DRAMATIC CLUB OF ST. JOHN'S UNIVERSITY.—In celebration of the 50th anniversary of the founding of the A.L. Fraternity, Shanghai's a successful dinner-drama was held at the Astor House Hotel. The Committee in charge of the occasion include Messrs. Samuel H. Chang, S. L. Benjamin Cheng, C. F. Hsu, Peter Yung and Ray J. Wong.—(A. Fong).



The WOMAN'S Page



For the Cold Snap



BREAKFAST MENUS

Your Choice For A Whole Week

With winter days and a chill snap in the early morning people who start out want something really solid for breakfast.

Porridge is often the staple dish of the family. But that tasty fare ought to be prepared in different ways; at least, it should be always well cooked, perfectly smooth, and never a single lump should be allowed.

Sunday

Plaice, eggs, bread-crumb, and fried.

Rashers of bacon on toast.

Brown bread, scones, split, heated, and buttered.

Butter, marmalade of bitter oranges.

Mocha coffee with cream.

Monday

Porridge pancake with cream.

Kippers with boiled eggs.

Breakfast rolls, butter, Cape gooseberry jam.

Darjeeling tea with milk.

Tuesday

Sausages fried with sliced apples.

Sardines.

Wheatmeal bread, breakfast biscuits.

Butter, lemon marmalade.

Chocolate, well frothed.

Wednesday

Wheatmeal porridge with milk.

Bacon with mushrooms, tomatoes, and potatoes.

White bread, pulled bread, milky loaf.

Thursday

Butter, apple and ginger jam.

Blended tea with cream.

Friday

Rizzed haddock.

Potted meat.

Oatcakes, dripping toast.

Butter, Oxford marmalade.

Coffee with scalded milk.

FOR THE PEAK FOG

A fog can be detrimental to beauty. The extreme dampness makes the pores slack, and the solid matter in the atmosphere clogs them and prevents them from acting as they should. Care must be taken to keep the skin in the right condition, so that it can fight the fog and be victorious.

The great secret, a woman chemist says, is to keep the pores well tightened up, and thoroughly clean, and at the same time to take special care that the entire face is hardy. A lotion must be applied in conjunction with a cream. The latter is needed to soften the skin, because the chilly air is apt to roughen it, and the lotion will brace up the pores.

Powder must be scantly used on a foggy day; it is apt to get driven into the pores, and that is what must be avoided.

In the morning only just tepid water must be used for washing the face, and directly it is dry it must be well bathed with an astringent lotion, such as a benzoin one. A weather cream must be applied just before going out into the fog, and on returning indoors plenty of skin food must be used. It will be found infinitely better than washing the face.

At bedtime a cream will probably be needed to soften the skin, which will have been caught by the cold air. A greasy one must be well rubbed in, and allowed to remain on for five minutes, then wiped off, and the astringent lotion used to bathe the face.

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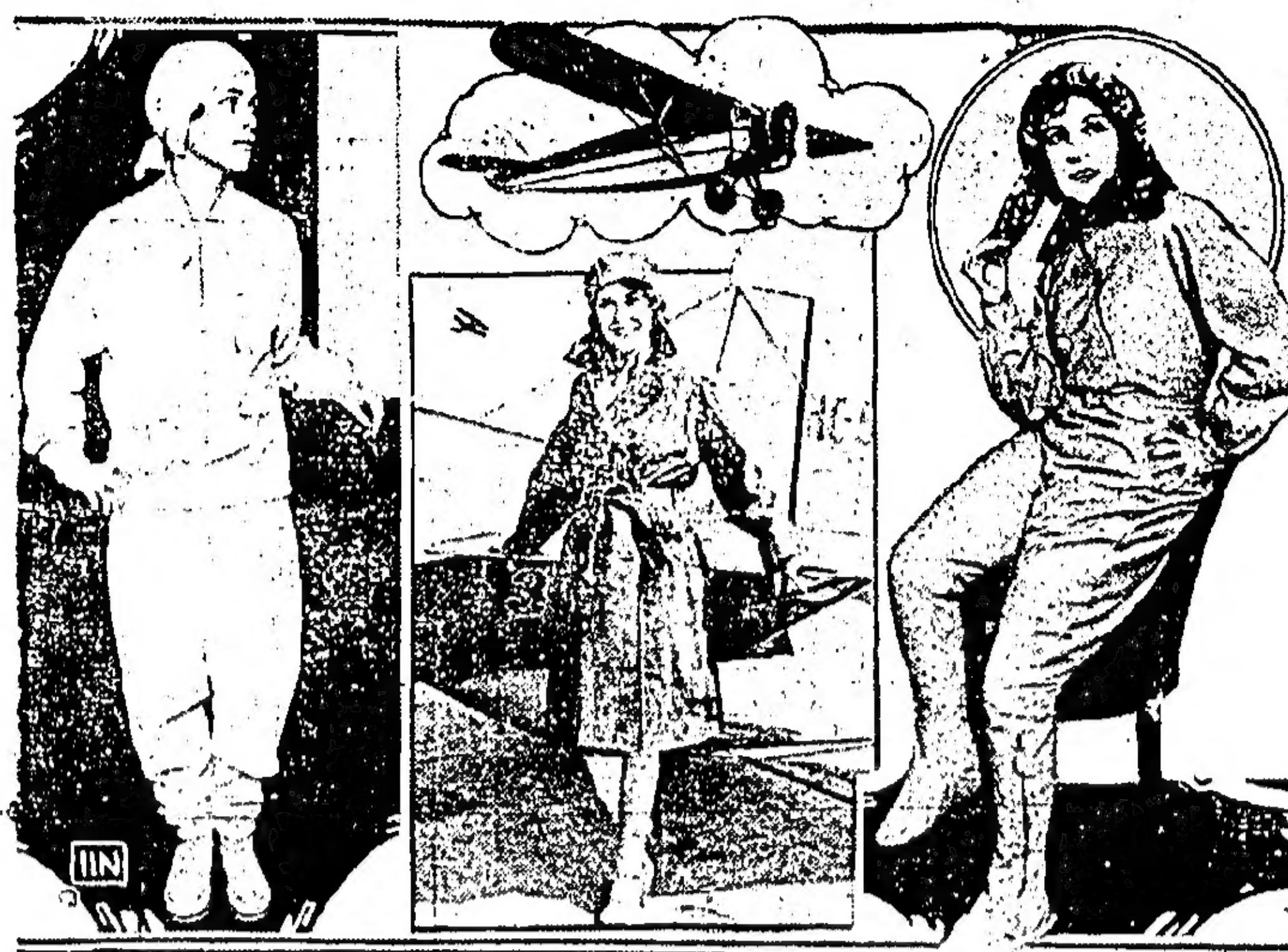
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Attire Designed for Ladybirds



The march of fashion has covered every place, in the street, the ballroom, and in the air. The pretty aviator at the left believes in harmony of colour when she goes flying and wears this white suede pilot outfit to match the whiteness of the clouds. (Centre) A smartly tailored brown suede outfit, with a French beret to match. France Harrell, well-known aviator (right), wearing a striking air ensemble in printed suede lined with ocelot.

Be fashionable even if you are up in the air! The leading stylists have now evolved highly original costumes for the girl who flies high, and now there can be no display of sports clothes without a series of smart outfits designed and fashioned for ladybirds.

Of course, if you are just a plain 'plane passenger, you will look your best and be appropriately clothed if you wear an attractive sports outfit, one that is not too fussy, nor yet too severe. Or at this time of the year a smart one-piece dress with a skirt of medium length in crepe, with a fur coat, will prove a practical and smart costume. Your cloud clothes need not be heavy or thick, for the quarters of

all passenger planes are well heated and protected from the elements. Many air travellers find that a fine tweed suit with a satin blouse worn under a coat which is doffed when in the plane is the ideal air outfit. And so you see, you need not let clothes interfere with your desire to ride on the tops of clouds.

But to-day is the day of the lady pilot, and many young women fly their plane as casually as they drive a car. Perhaps, with memories of many reckless women drivers, it would be better to say that they pilot a 'plane just as casually but more carefully than they drive a car. Anyway, many a girl who had her doubts about becoming an

aviatrix won't hesitate when she sees the smart costumes designed for her. Paris has been showing some highly original flying suits, most of them made in one, like the overalls of an aviation mechanic. For a smart French aviator, Schiaperelli, who is one of the foremost designers of sports clothes, has just made a stunning costume. It is of erucio with collars and cuffs of black patent leather. Triangular appliques of patent leather run from the knee to the ankle, where they finish by buckling backwards about the ankle. Many smart suits are of chamois and suede, with contrasting leather trim and zipper fastening, combining smartness with practicality, something that is not always achieved in sports clothes.

FUR COLLAR FASHION

A coat may be known by its fur collar—Winter has ordained the double variety, so deep and high and full, that the back of the head is entirely hidden, even up to the crown thereof. The fashion (says Truth) is very pretty and becoming to the brightly-painted face and lips encarnimed which still prevail; but much expense is involved, for the favoured fur is beaver though sealskin or ermine may also be acknowledged. The fox is at the moment losing its tail and appears most generally as the neck facing to cloth, velvet or tweed. Yet we can encounter (remnants from last season) grey or fawn-pressed lamb with fox to match; but squirrel languishes—price prohibitive, considering its durable value—is the verdict of the truly economical.

Velvet Costumes

So many folks declare they hate afternoon parties, and so many many flock to them. At two of these (says a writer in Truth) I was welcomed and had occasion to observe that even as popular as the ivory-printed black velvet was last year, so popular is the watered or waved velvet this year. "Everybody's wearing them," as the old song says, and the colours achieved are, most lovely, sapphire blue and bottle green being particularly attractive. But dressmakers must beware to grant them gracious amplitude; they look poor things when the material is skimpy; and their sleeves must be well ballooned.

But one of the best velvet costumes I have seen was plain and of brown, worn by Lady Alexander. This had an Elizabethan suggestion in the sleeves which from elbow to wrist were criss-crossed with wide silver ribbons. Her hat bore aloft two big shaded marabout plumes, and altogether it was a brave array. Also sat Virginia Vernon in red cloth skirt and coat trimmed with brown astrakhan and crowned with rose-red felt cut to the coiffeur's order. Hostess, on this occasion, wore a simple dress of white silk lace and an over-dress of black Chantilly, most effective and unusual, too. The hats with nose veil are coming along quickly, and to those past their first, second, or third youth they are much to be recommended, as not being so treacherous in their revelations as the close-fitting helmets, all brimless and bare, which were the universal choice of yester-year.

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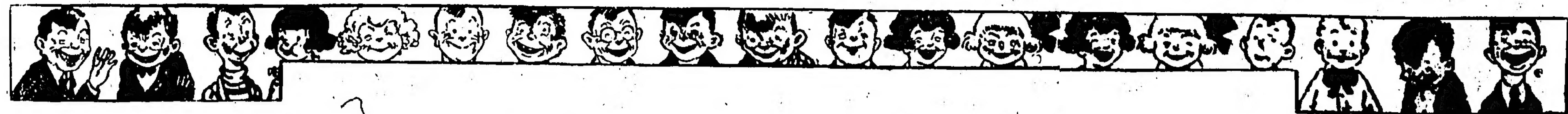
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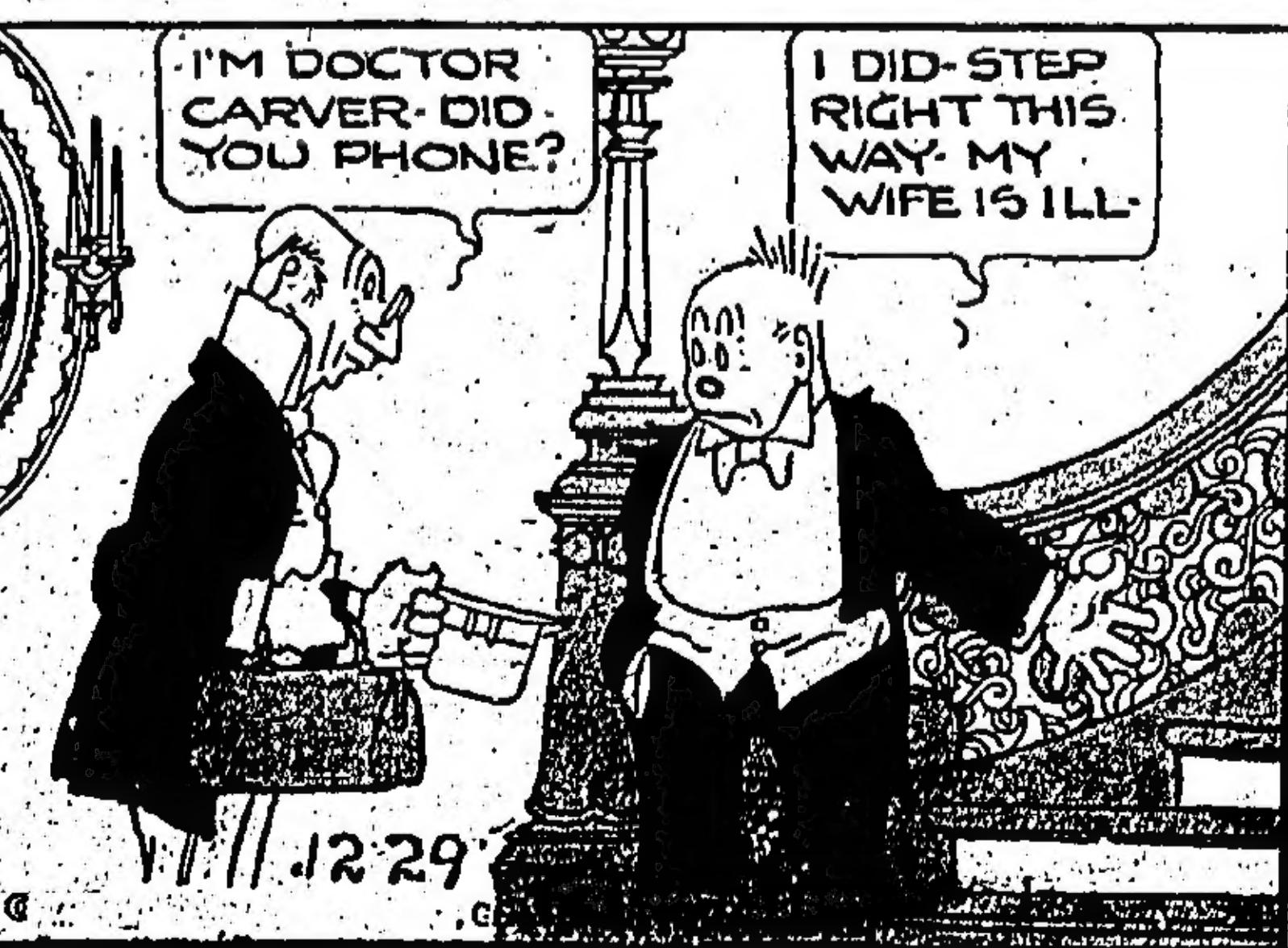
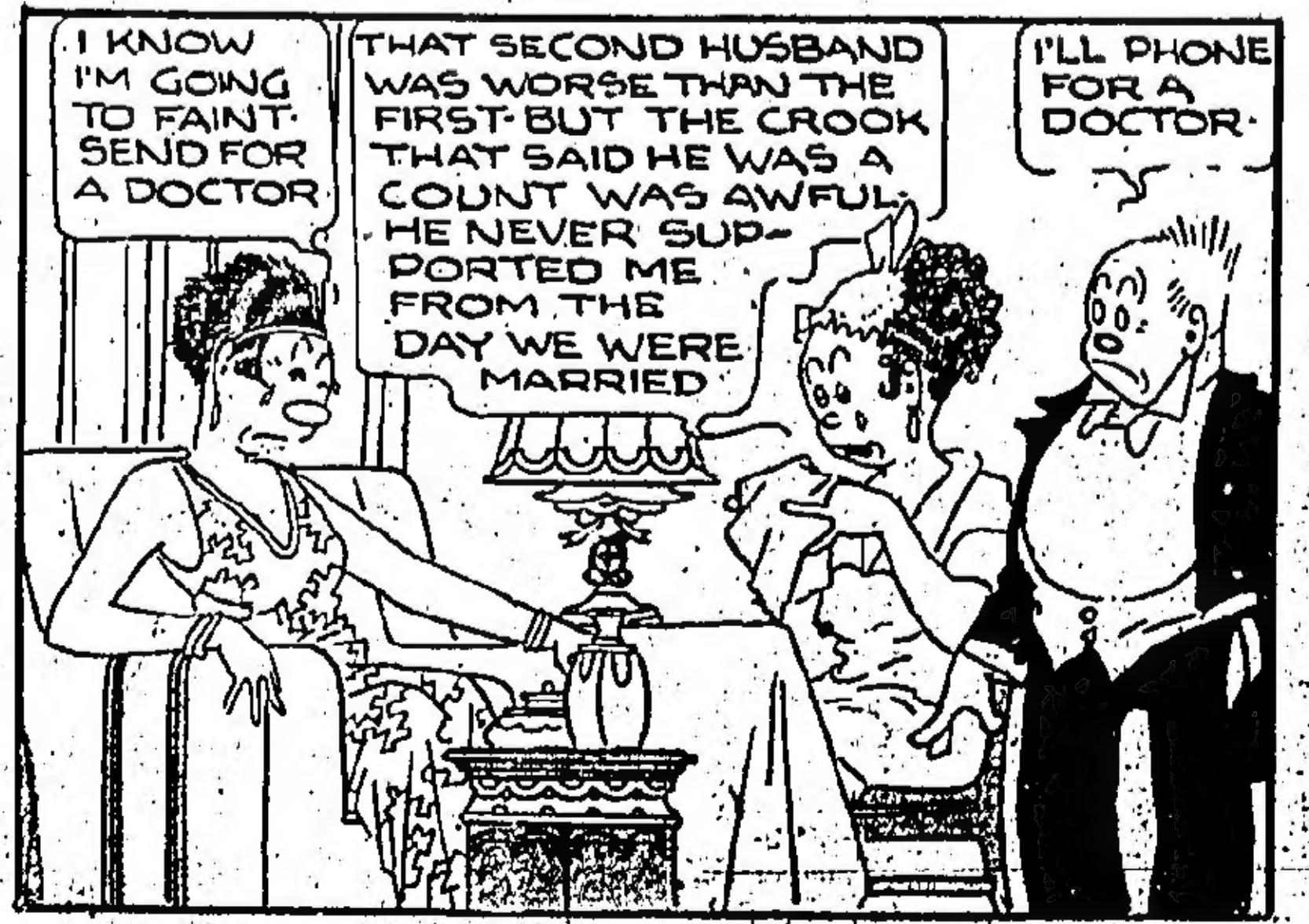
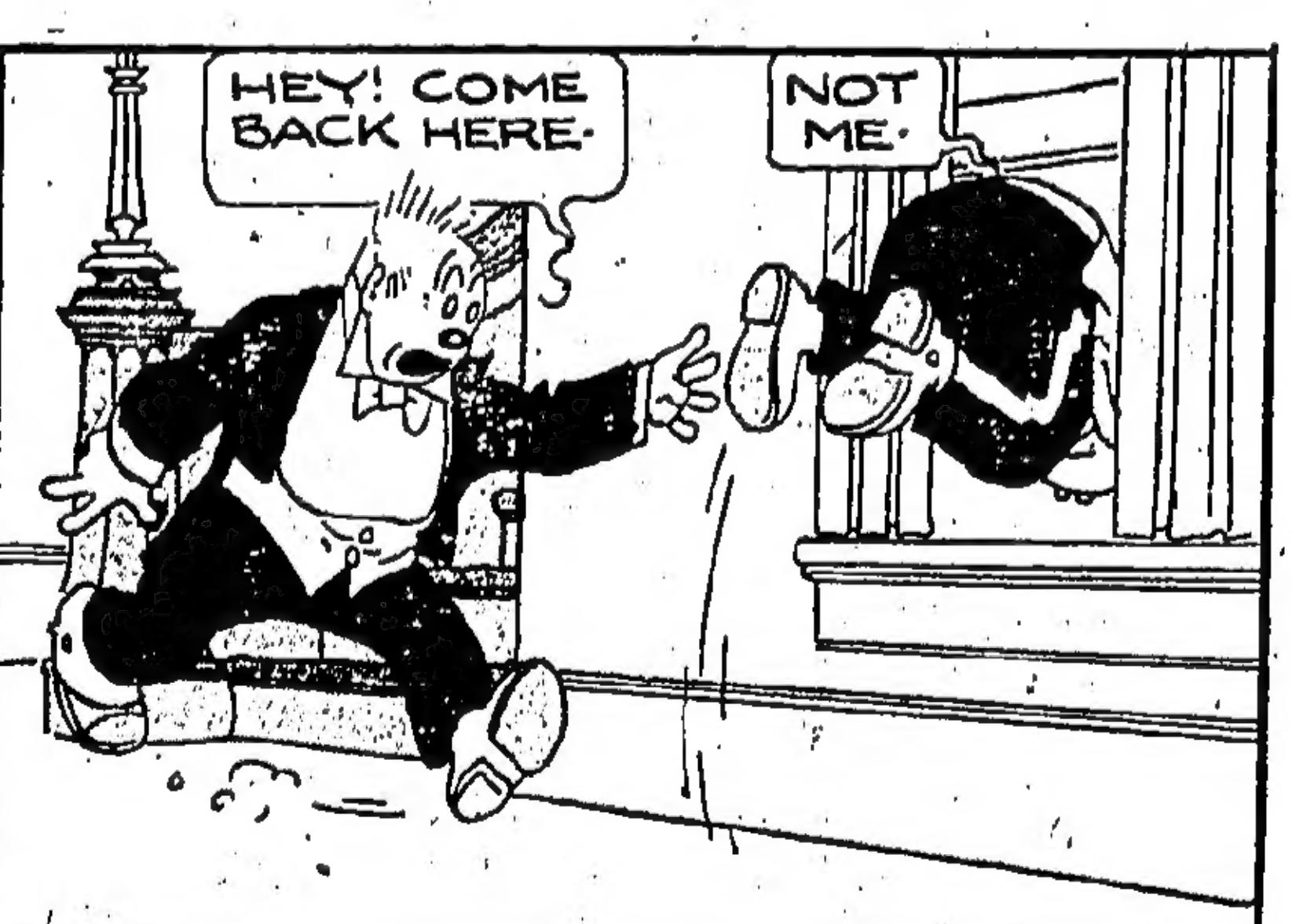
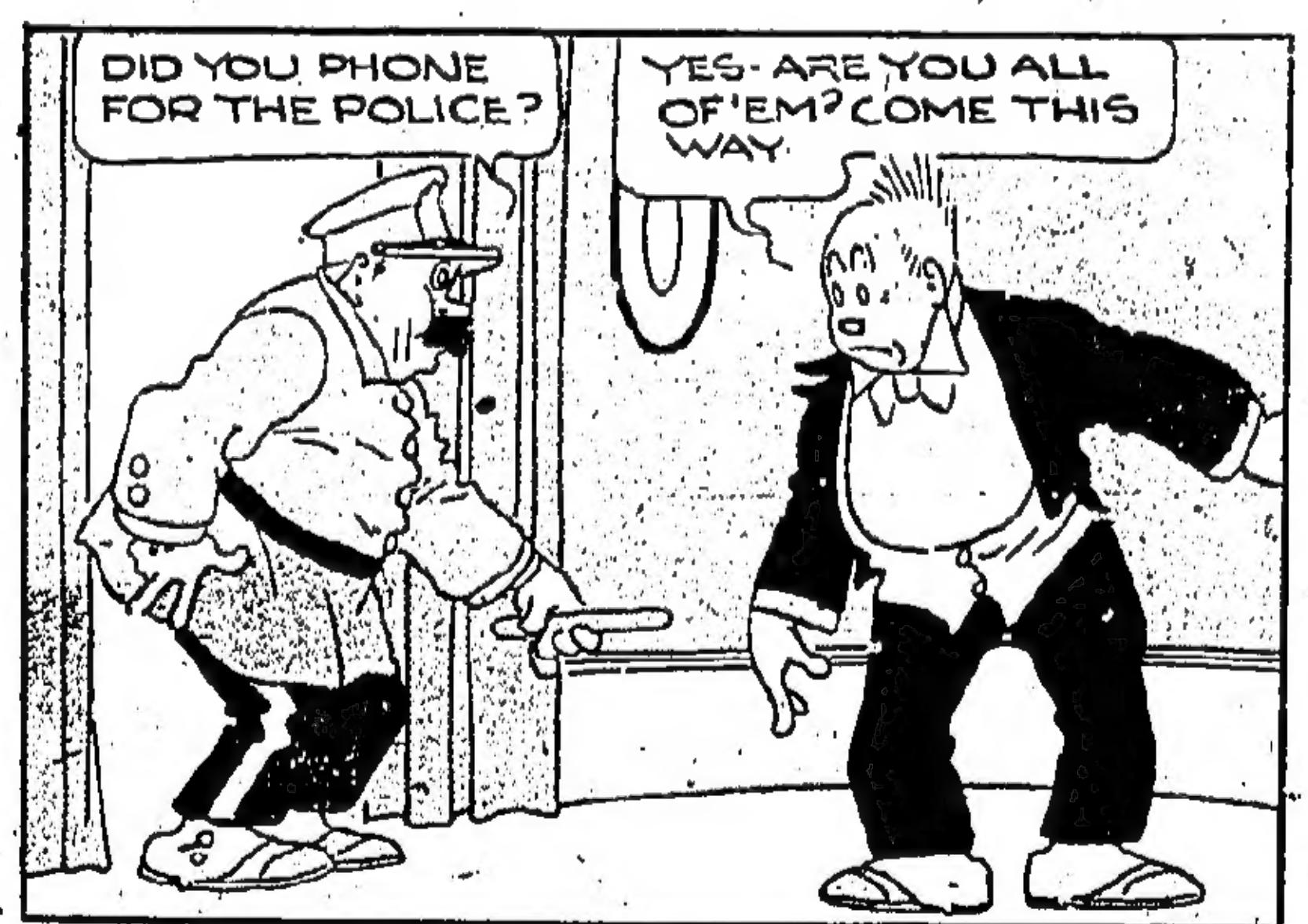
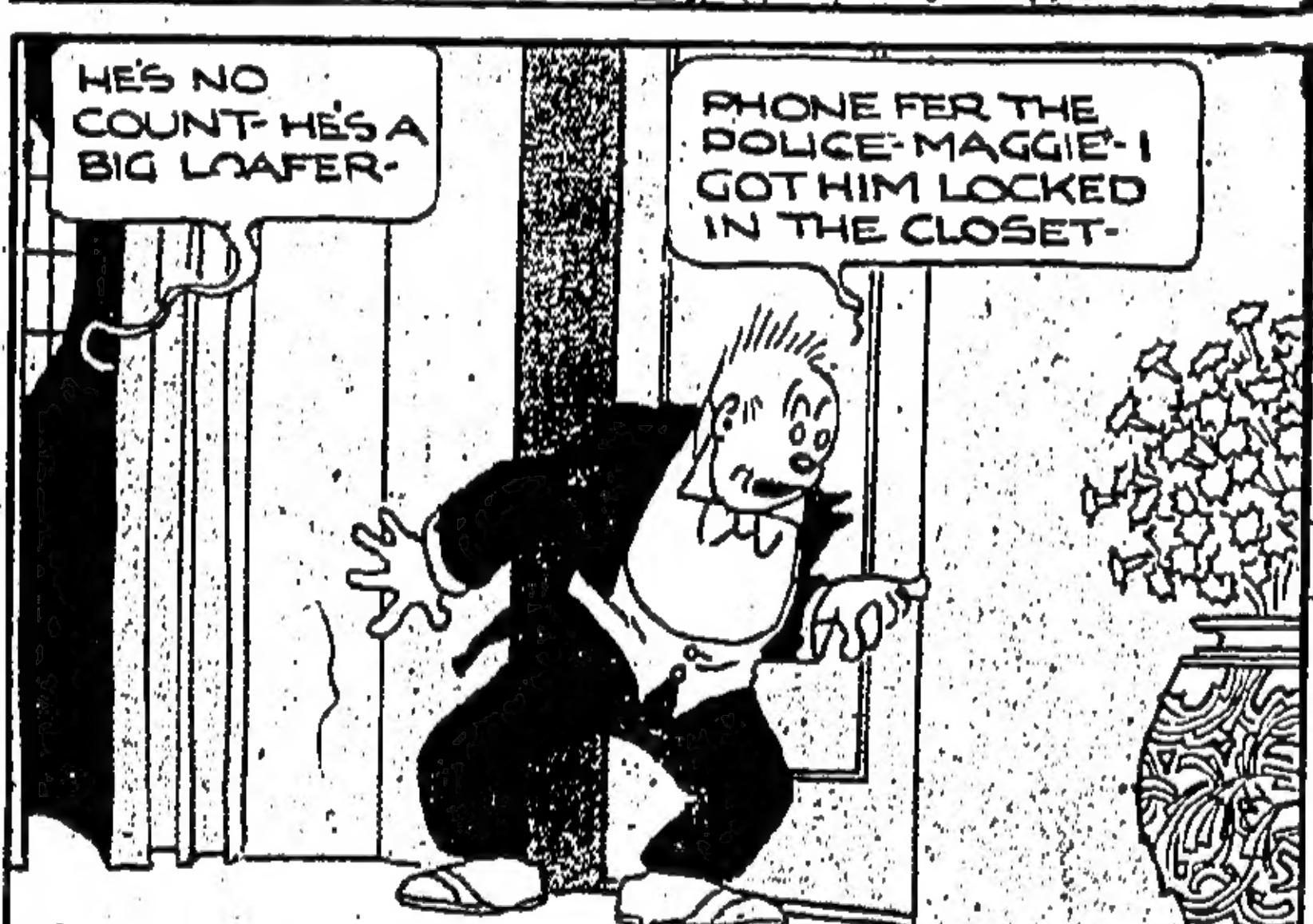
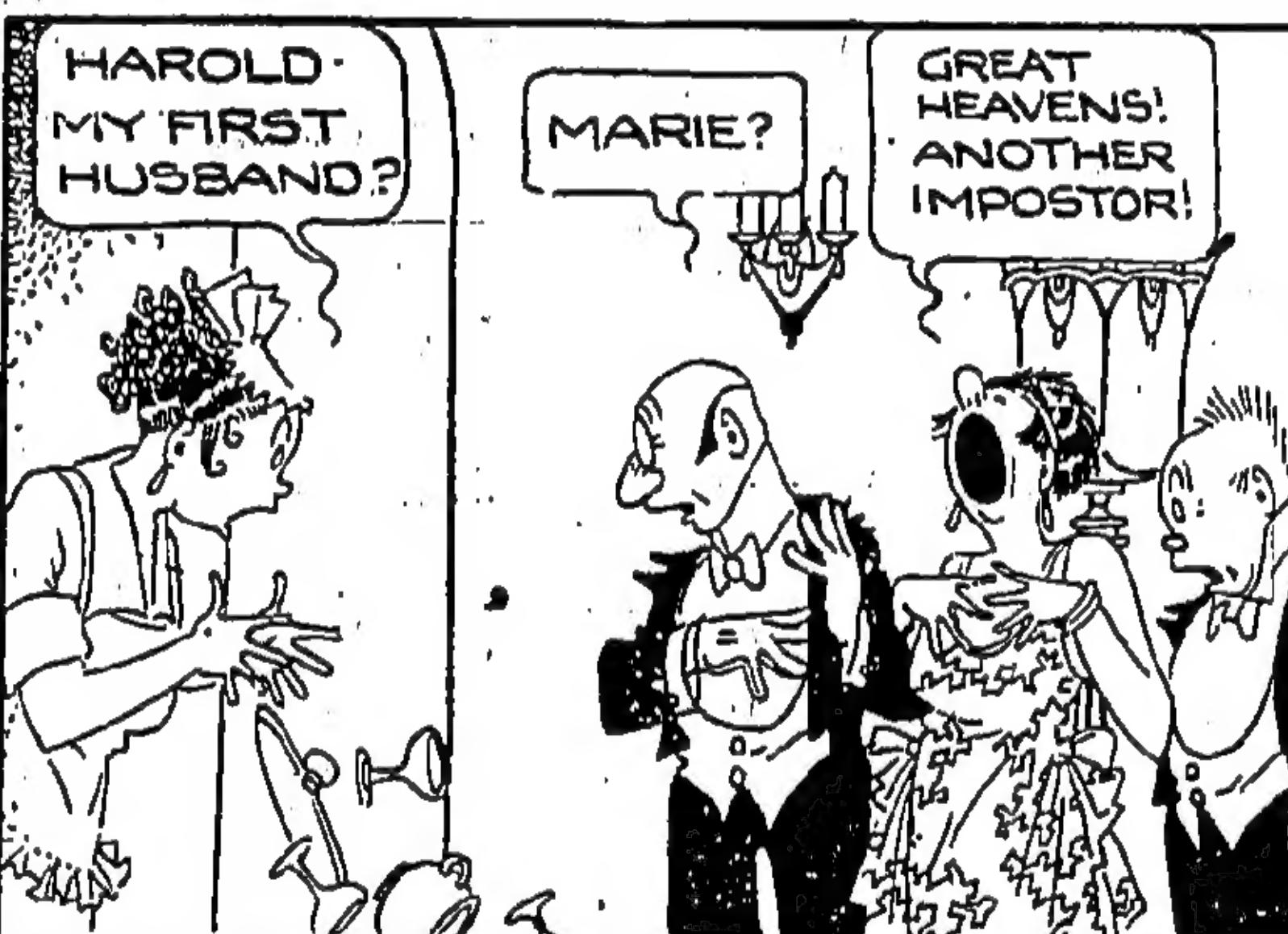
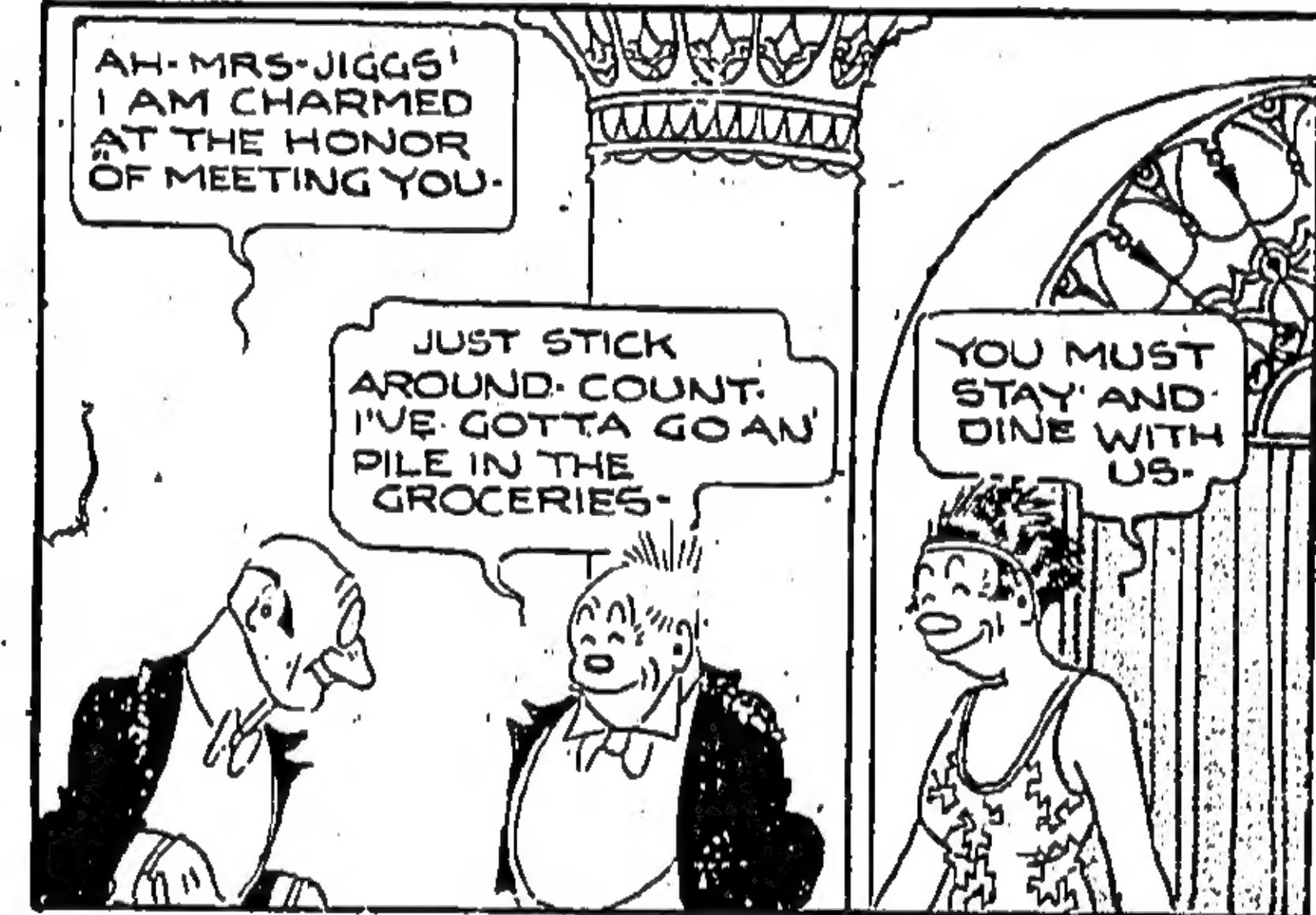
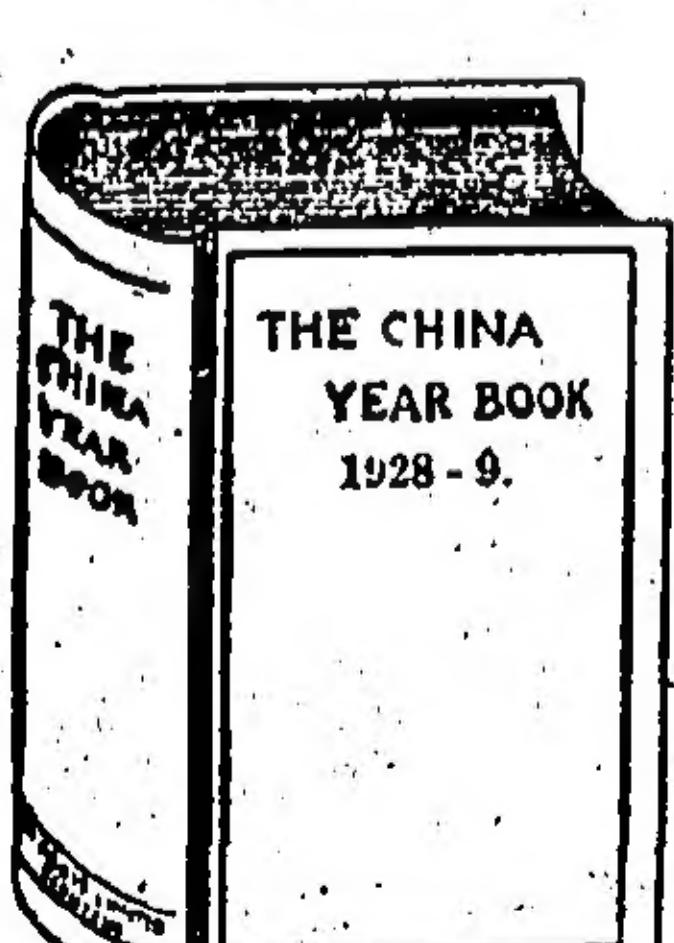
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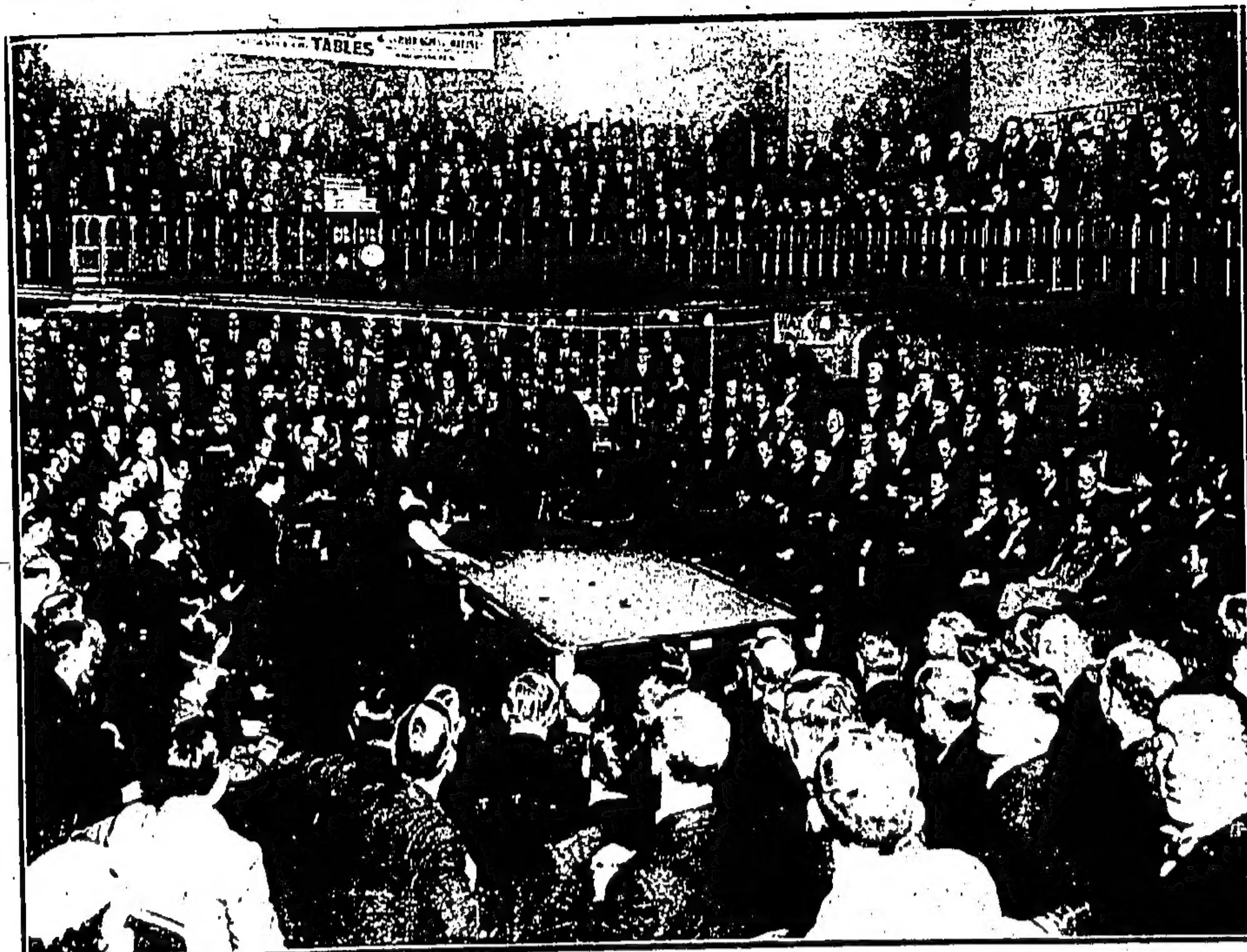
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BILLIARDS.—Walter Lindrum, the Australian Champion, v. W. Smith, at the Memorial Hall, Faringdon Street, London. A record crowd was present to witness the time limit match and wonderful form was maintained by both players. Here is a general view of the match in progress, with Lindrum at the table, on one of his big breaks.—(Sport and General).



PRINCE SEES 'VARSITY RUGBY MATCH.—The annual contest between Oxford and Cambridge, on the famous Twickenham ground, London. The Prince of Wales had an enthusiastic reception as he walked out to shake hands with members of both teams. He is seen shaking hands with Mr. A. E. Freethy, the referee.—(Sport and General).



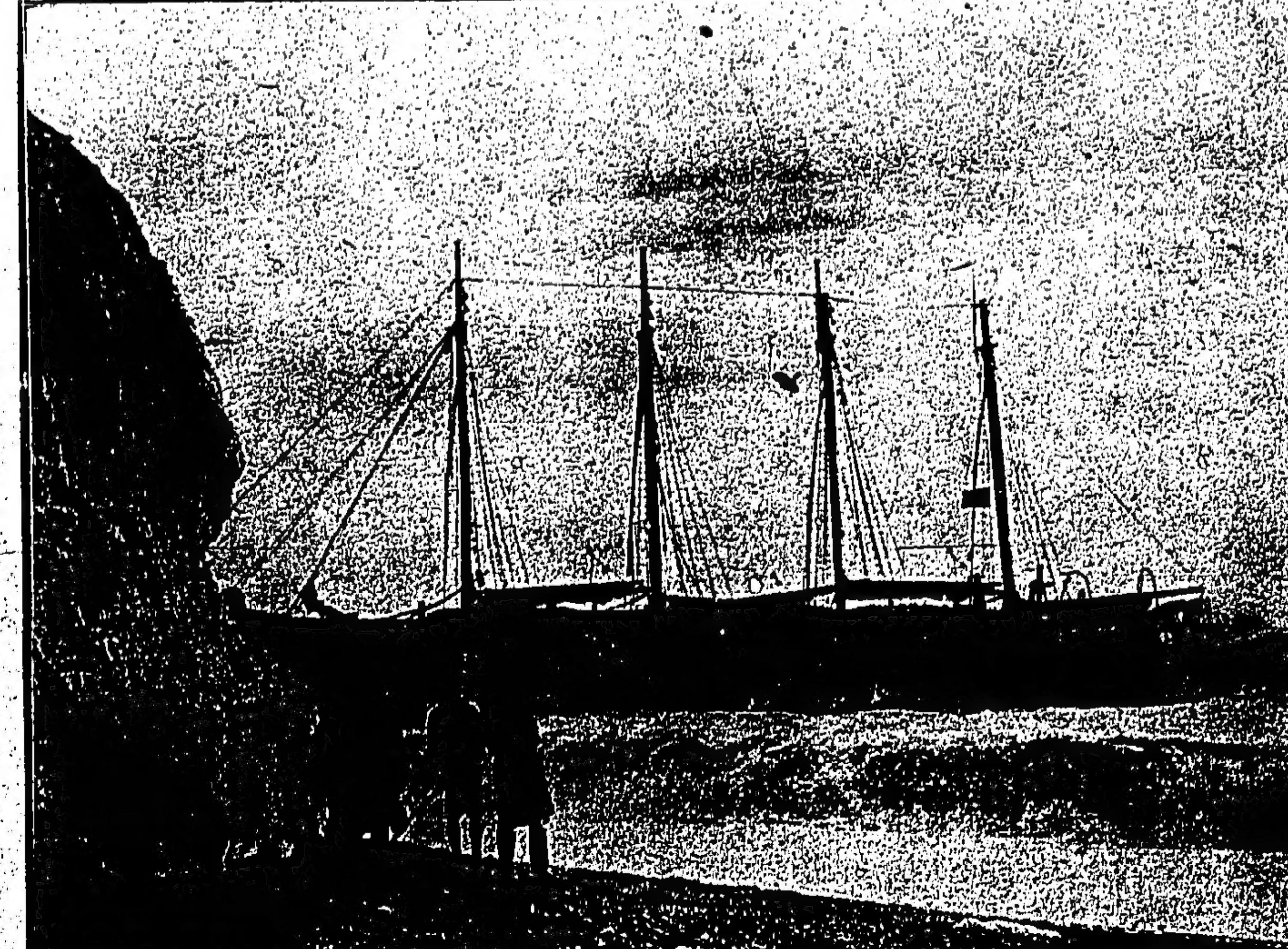
"WINSTON" IN A STUDENTS' "RAG."—Mr. Winston Churchill, during his installation as Chancellor of Bristol University, was made the centre of a students' "rag" and forcibly taken to the Hall to answer charges of "drink and disorderly." Needless to say, Mr. Churchill good-humouredly entered into the spirit of the "rag." Students and undergraduates are seen chairing Mr. Churchill—who is smoking the inevitable cigar—back to his car as a "rag" man.—(Sport and General).



FLOOD SCENES AT WINDSOR, BERKSHIRE.—Floods threatening the playing fields at the famous Eton College. Our picture shows the flooded meadows adjoining, with historic Windsor Castle in the background, during the recent heavy gales in Britain.—(Sport and General).



VOYAGE TO FAR SOUTH.—The Discovery II left St. Katherine's Dock, London, for a three-year voyage of research in the Antarctic. The purpose of the expedition is to investigate whales with the object of safeguarding the future of the whaling industry. The vessel, which is built of steel and specially constructed to resist ice pressure, carries a scientific staff of six who will be under the leadership of Dr. S. W. Kemp. The Discovery II is shown leaving Tower Bridge.—(Sport and General).



LIFEBOATMEN'S ALL-NIGHT VIGIL IN THE STORM.—The great hurricane which swept the British Isles on the night of December 6, and raged for two days, was responsible for appalling disasters on land and sea. Danish four-masted barque, 'Morgens Klocke', driven ashore at Havens Point at the mouth of the Cuckmere River, near Eastbourne, Sussex. Her crew of ten were rescued by the Newhaven lifeboatmen, who had themselves been out all night trying to rescue another vessel. The sea was so rough that even the lifeboat crew thought they would never return safely. Photo shows several boys watching the wreck being pounded by heavy seas.—(Sport and General).

A NEW WORLD

1930 the Turning Point of History

THE OCCULT VIEW

Nations' Fate Hanging in the Balance

CAULDRON OF CHINA

The world's fate is hanging in the balance and the year 1930 will mark a turning point in the history of the world, declare Japanese publicists as well as soothsayers. The former base their reasons for such a statement on the world problems that have already been settled and on problems yet to be settled; the latter on occult and unearthly (if not supernatural) knowledge and a study of planetary influences. Both agree, however, that the signs are that the coming change will be for the better, that all indications point to the world getting out of its "Childhood" of suspicions and rivalries and that the old bad habits will be definitely eschewed owing to the average man and woman waking up to the fact that in co-operation and not in insensate striving of nations to outjockey on another lies the road to duty, peace and prosperity.

PROBLEM OF INDIA

With regard to China alone are grave doubts expressed, but no one thinks that, however the Chinese cauldron may bubble and simmer, other nations would care to fish in it. India, they say, is on the eve of a great advance politically, and financially and that, when her immense size and the "cowlike complacency" of her millions, due to the "wrong interpretations" of the Buddhist doctrines of resignation, are taken into consideration, she has really been moving, since the war, at "break-neck" pace.

Internationalism in Sight

This year, it is pointed out, has been a record year for the interests of peace all the world over. The Kellogg Pact was the greatest of these, while the signing of the optional clause of the League of Nations Covenant, the pulling out of British troops from the German Rhineland, the readjustment of relations between Great Britain and Egypt, and the settlement of reparations are set down as achievements done in such a brief space of time as may make statesmen of former eras sit up and take notice. The crowning success promises to be effective naval disarmament and, what is far better, the substitution of understanding and trust for the misapprehensions and dissensions that threatened to break out when ever disputed issues arose.

The advent of a Labour Cabinet in Britain, the elevation of Herbert Hoover to the Presidency of the United States, the steady trend of dictator-ruled countries in Europe to a form of government where power is being vested in the people instead of in the hands of a single individual, and the substitution of the Tanaka ministry by the Hamaguchi government, with its emphasis on economy and peace, are all regarded as signal victories in the march forward towards the new era of internationalism, mutual tolerance and respect, and ready co-operation. Nationalist ambitions, it is granted, are not yet definitely snuffed out, but they are less malevolent to-day and the indications are that they are being slowly extinguished by the doctrine of internationalism which is gathering a greater number of adherents every day.

1930 A Critical Year

The year 1930, it is considered, will see the fruition or ruination of all the work done, and the hopes endangered during this year. The press urges the Government not to manoeuvre for position at London, not to seek to get a rise out of another nation, but to work wholeheartedly to secure peace "if the work of man is to endure."

While Japanese publicists do not think that the brute in man can be suppressed by legislating against instruments of destruction and contend that, even if every weapon be dumped into the deepest part of the ocean, mankind will fight, if there is a cause, with their barbels, still it is admitted that an unarmed peace is much better than an armed peace, for even if there should be a breach, the suffering and destruction involved and the expense entailed will not be anywhere as great as otherwise.

"Quarrels start with the beat, and the war fever takes possession of people before one exactly knows how it happened or why it happened, and it is only after the orgy of destruction that everyone realizes his mistakes," says one writer, "that is exactly what happened during the European war into which Asia and America were dragged, the thought of some venereal monster. Fine armaments did not serve either side very much when the final reckoning after the fighting was over came. One was compelled to say that, 'The fact is that they lost'."

The Compliment Slashed

Philosophical

MOTORISTS ANNUAL DINNER
PRESIDENT AND PROPOSED TAXATION
GROWTH OF KOWLOON

The annual dinner of the Hong Kong Automobile Association was held last night on the Roof Garden of the Peninsula Hotel which presented a gay and animated scene. An excellent dinner was served and the guests danced to a well arranged programme of music.

Twofold Purpose

Mr. Ho Leung, the President, in the course of his speech said:

I am afraid I might be accused of perpetrating a mixed metaphor when I say that I am running on thin ice when I talk back to the burning question proposed early last year for levying a petrol tax with the addition of \$2 per unit of horse-power on motor-car owners. The net effect of the recommendations of the Committee appointed by Government to consider the question of motor taxation in Hong Kong, if carried out, would be to increase very greatly the cost of motoring in the Colony and incidentally deal a blow on the vital principle of Free Trade which has contributed so much to Hong Kong's prosperity in the past. The Automobile Association duly made representations to the Government which, it is, earnestly to be hoped, will have removed the cause for complaint in this matter.

At one time whispers were heard that the system for the granting of permits for the erection of petrol stations on the Island and in Kowloon might be improved. The very presence of the genial Director of Public Works amongst us this evening must dissipate the fear that his department, which provides and looks after the roads for the benefit of motorists, among others, in the Colony, can be otherwise than friendly to that section of the community who to-day enjoy roads so perfectly modelled as the one we see in the main thoroughfare of Kowloon.

The presence of Mr. T. H. King encourages the hope that between him and his Chief and our fellow-citizens on this side of the harbour an acceptable scheme will be evolved for the "Star" Ferry Square at Kowloon, that will meet the needs of Kowloon residents and at the same time provide adequately for the increased motor traffic on the mainland.

Appeal for Members
When it is considered that the number of all motor vehicles in the Colony exceeds 2,500, surprise must be felt at the smallness of the A.A.'s roll of membership. Five hundred is not nearly big enough for the Association's representations to carry full weight with the Government. On behalf of the Committee, therefore, I appeal to all motorists and motorcyclists in the Colony to join the Association.

The Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga replied on behalf of the guests.

CAR COLLISION
The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station 2.B.W. on 285 metres:

1.45 p.m.—Weather Report
7.9 p.m.—Experimental Relay Transmission

9 p.m.—Evening Programme of H.M.V. and Victor Records, by courtesy of Messrs. Moutre.

Gems from "Cavalleria Rusticana" — "Blossoms of Orange" — Alfie's Song "Lola's Ditty" — My King of Rose-Santibáza's Aria — Drinking Song — Easter Anthem (Mascagni) — Victor Opera Company Mixed Voices with Orchestra.

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11.30 p.m.—Close Down

RED FOR WEDDINGS

Red has been, and will be much worn at winter weddings. It is a cheerful colour, that enlivens the darkness of church and a grey atmosphere alike. Green bow defies superstition, and is freely worn from the apple shade to darkest purple. In London, at least, blue in the light tone and darkest navy, has found favour. Lady Carrington, Lady Curzon, and Lady Winterbotham are among those who successfully wear dark blue.

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Stabilizing coal-tar co-operation during the last year of the war was given by an American agent on the 1st of January, 1929, to the Chinese government, and it was to be carried out by the Chinese government by prisoners to be held in wall of cells.

SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN CHINA MAIL

Social Functions

To-day—Tea Dances at Hong Kong Hotel and Peninsula Hotel, 4.30 p.m.

To-day—Dinner Dances at Hong Kong Hotel and Peninsula Hotel, 8.30 p.m.

To-day—Old Tonbridge Dinner, Hong Kong Hotel, 8 p.m.

To-day—Honourable Company of Master Mariners' Dinner to Capt. O. H. Farrar and officers of a.s. Hatchling, Hong Kong Hotel, 8 p.m.

To-day—Dinner Dance at Repulse Bay Hotel, 8.30 p.m.

To-day—Victoria Recreation Club Fancy Dress Carnival, 8 p.m.

Entertainments

To-day—Queen's Theatre, "The Pagan,"

To-day—Star Theatre, "The Heart of a Nation," 5 p.m. only;

"Madame, Butterfly" (Italian Opera), 9.15 p.m.

To-day—World Theatre, "Fazil."

To-day—Majestic Theatre, "Red Hair."

To-morrow—Star Theatre, "Barbiere de Siviglia" (Italian Opera), 9.15 p.m.

Lammy's Auction, January 20—At Sales Room, Duddell Street, ladies' shoes, 11 a.m.

Sports

To-day—Entries close for Hong Kong Jockey Club annual race meeting, 8 p.m.

To-day—Entries close for Hong Kong C.C. Tennis Tournament.

To-day—Faulding Hunt and Race Club Point-to-Point, Pott's Bungalow, 3.45 p.m.

To-morrow—Faulding Hunt and Race Club Hounds Meet, Pott's Bungalow, 3 p.m.

Meetings

January 21—Meeting for Society for the Protection of Children, etc., City Hall, 5 p.m.

February 11—Forty-second General meeting of Shareholders of Hong Kong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd., at Messrs. Jardine's 12.30 p.m.

Miscellaneous

To-morrow—Yach Chi College Exhibition of Handicraft, 10 a.m.

January 21—Public lecture at Helena May Institute on "Gothic Art" by Father Finn.

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THE HIGH STEPPERS

Reappearing at the Majestic Theatre

The celebrated company of British vaudeville stars, "The High Steppers," will make their return appearance at the Majestic Theatre, Kowloon, to-morrow.

Bert, Beale, comedian and juggler, Sidney Clark, dancing violinist, Miss Alice Benins, soubrette and dancer, Mahomet Kassim, Indian vocalist on their previous appearance proved themselves artists of high-class ability, and presented a programme which drew capacity houses each night, and sent the audiences away perfectly satisfied.

The above troupe have three additional artists this time.

They are, Coleen Dawn, singer of Irish ballads; "Speedy" Pele, clown comique and clever comedy acrobat, and Miss Eily Webber, dashing serio and terpsichorean artistes.

This company, forming one of the biggest aggregation of entertainers, will be accompanied by a fine class orchestra under the direction of Mr. H. E. Nicholson. There will be a thrilling footfall picture, "One Minute to Play," starring Rep Grange, the idol of the American fans.

The "High Steppers" will appear

only at the 9.30 p.m. show. During the afternoon shows 2.30, 5.30, and 7.30 p.m., there will be the added attraction of "Pete" and "Cass," comedy acrobats and clown comedies.

PETIT THEATRE

At the Kowloon Magistrate's office, an unemployed Chinese was given seven days' jail for selling wood from the Kowloon Government building contractor, Shanghai, while a Chinese servant, a man, was sentenced to one month's hard labour for the theft of 16 pairs of monkey-skin, and one piece of monkey-skin, from a Wong Chuk Street.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

CHINA COAST OFFICERS' GUILD
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FRENCH DRAMA

Interview With M.
Bernard

M. Jean-Jacques Bernard, one of the finest of modern French playwrights, was in London to attend the final rehearsals of his play "Martine," which, translated into English by Mr. J. Leslie Firth, was produced at the Gate Theatre. This is the fourth of his plays to be seen in London, the others being "L'Amie en Peine," "Le Printemps des Autres," and "Le Feu qui Reprend Mai." The last-named is now being successfully acted at the Comedie Francaise.

I had a short talk with M. Bernard, writes The Observer Theatre Correspondent, just before he left for France, in which I asked him if his plays could be said to be fairly representative of a modern movement in French drama. He is a shy, sensitive, ascetic-looking man, and he replied that he would much rather talk about his fellow-playwrights than about himself.

"It is difficult," he said, "for any author to disentangle the tendencies of his own generation, but since the war there has been a most decided movement towards freedom of expression in the French theatre. Modern playwrights have burst the bonds and enlarged the theatrical domain."

"The extraordinary thing is that people with entirely different talents are working towards the same end. I am usually classed with Vildrac, as there is the same sort of simplicity about our work. Then there is Lenormand (of whom I am a profound admirer), who delves into the subconscious. Gantillon, the author of 'Maya,' strikes the note of symbolism, and other representative moderns are Jean Victor Pellerin, who has experimented with expressionism, and Jules Romains, whose play 'Dr Knock' has been seen in London."

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WANTED—A CABARET

To the Editor of the "China Mail": Sir,—If only there was another "Fesse" (mosqui the F. Willoughby) in Hong Kong, Hong Kong would not even need a Cabaret, for what is more delightful than a pair of Fesses.

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A GENUINE AGREEMENT OF NATIONS

To the Editor of the "China Mail": Sir,—Many of your readers would doubtless be interested in the following article by Mr. William Griffith, who is said to have travelled in most countries and who has written to the Kanzlei der Volksgemeinschaft (Office of National Community), Leipzig, Cl. Johannisgasse 4 II, as follows:

Last year I travelled again in various countries, and studied the people carefully. In doing so I noticed several very remarkable things. Everywhere I found well-intentioned and peace-loving men and women, who do their duties conscientiously and who have no grudge or grievance against other nations. There are a few dissentients who manifest national and political fanaticism.

I noticed that these men were under certain influences. By observing these people during the last ten years, I am convinced that there is a secret society spread throughout the world, whose aims are contrary to the welfare of other nations. This secret society is hidden under many different and harmless names, its unmistakable aim is the economical and political control of all the other nations throughout the world. I am in possession of absolute proofs.

The attainment of the said end is facilitated by the ignorance, apathy and want of suspicion of the peoples, together with the concealed and cunning methods that have been steadily improved and developed to a fine art. This secret society which camouflages itself under many different names, we call.

The Hidden Hand

In various characters the members of this society have penetrated into all sorts of societies and influential positions; to-day they are not only in the Parliaments and Councils, but also in the Governments, as well as in all public authorities where there is influence and advantage to be obtained, and they never forget to benefit the other members of this secret society, as well as to further its interests.

In view of the blind confidence of the honest nations, one cannot wonder that the Hidden Hand are already in possession of the greater part of the powerful positions. One of their cleverest moves was to get possession of all influential newspapers, so as to lead public opinion, and prevent the exposure of their acts by censoring the contents. By these means they rule not only the parties and Parliaments, but also the economic life of the peoples, banks and exchanges.

Under these circumstances it is most difficult to enlighten the nations with regard to the danger. The masses are filled with prejudices by the press, so that they hardly recognize the truth. The conspirators have not despised the use of their nearly unlimited money to buy the most talented leaders, and under the false pretences of freedom—make them serve the most brutal tyranny of usury.

DIVORCE PROBLEM

Husband And Wife
And The Dog

Zoltan Sarkany, a Budapest wholesale merchant, recently filed a petition for divorce on the ground that both he and his wife had outgrown their affection after two years of marriage. It appeared, however, that neither the petitioner nor his wife had outgrown their affection for a Dobenyi dog to which both were equally devoted. As the Sarkany's were unable to decide on the fate of the dog, which they desired to be legally included in the verdict, they were obliged to postpone the making absolute of the divorce until some agreement could be arrived at.

The citation of a similar problem in the Czechoslovakia has entered a strong public protest against the abuse of journalistic freedom. It suggests that no woman shall buy such newspapers, or allow them to circulate in their homes or in the offices where they work, or allow their children to read them. The Prager Presse has just published a series of articles on the topic by well-known public men and women.

But the German doctors of Styria have excluded him from their union on the ground that he is "a danger to the country and to ethics." He strikes the note of symbolism, and other representative moderns are Jean Victor Pellerin, who has experimented with expressionism, and Jules Romains, whose play "Dr Knock" has been seen in London.

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Thus the civilisation of mankind, under the delusion of going forward into an age of the greatest intellectual and political freedom, is really held in the most disgraceful bondage. These secret despots use their power to breed artificial discord between classes and nations according to the principle "Divide and Rule."

The World War was the work of the Hidden Hand. It served to shift more of the riches of nations into the hands of these secret despots, and to perfect their secret dictatorship. Also the League of Nations continually feel the pressure of the Hidden Hand.

The deliverance of the honest nations is only possible by exposing these intrigues. These friendly statements are intended to serve this purpose. A bond of friendship and understanding must be formed between all honest and truth-loving men. All nations have been deluded and tricked and they have good reason to have compassion for one another. The Germans are reproaching themselves for neglecting world politics, and feel that their national interests are not being served. The French, British, American and Italian peoples are just as simple and ignorant of these matters as the Germans. They do not realize the intrigues of the Hidden Hand.

May these words go out into all the countries throughout the world, and open the eyes of the suffering peoples.

(signed) WILLIAM GRIFFITH.

Whatever readers may think of the truthfulness or reasonableness of the above, the fact that the article has been translated into German, French and other languages and circulated widely in the various countries of Europe is evidence of an increasingly large number of people taking an interest in the subject.

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THE YELLOW PRESS

A Recent Growth in Prague

A campaign has opened in Prague against the "sensational Press." Since the war there has been an enormous increase in the number of newspapers published in the city. Most of them are the organs of the political parties; some of them are so small in size that they resemble the advertising bills of big stores.

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HAUPTMANN'S
"GHOSTS"

NEW PLAYS PRODUCED IN VIENNA

NIGHTMARE BALLAD

Gerhart Hauptmann has been very warmly received in Vienna. He went there to attend the final rehearsals of the Burgtheater's first production of his two new one-act plays, "Die Schwarze Maske" and "Hexenritt," performed under the title of "Spuk." The first work is a kind of tragedy, and was well received. The second work had a rather mixed reception. In the "Schwarze Maske" we are taken to a little Silesian town, in the year 1662, after the termination of the Thirty Years' War. Things are still in a turmoil, and plague is threatening. The burgomaster's beautiful wife is haunted by several ghosts during a feast, and we are left to surmise whether she finally kills herself or is killed by her negro lover. The Burgtheater gave an impressive performance of the play. "Hexenritt," a dream-play, is in sharp contrast with the preceding nightmare ballad. The author presents it in a somewhat trifling spirit, intended to cheer the audience after the horrors of the first play. The audience, however, considered "Hexenritt" inferior to the "Schwarze Maske," an opinion shared by some of the critics.

WHAT NEXT?

Comment on New Nail Varnish

Brightly tinted finger nails are being hurtled into the vortex of criticism almost to the same extent as long-skirts! Nevertheless, both are adopted by those who like them and can wear them. The song of the critics will be "What next?" when Madame Antoinette's new nail varnish appears in public, as it no doubt will, to start off at evening parties. This varnish is going to be christened "vernis precieux," which seems meet, glowing as it does on finger nails like mother-of-pearl in a natural tint, rose, red, mauve, or green.

The green is a tone between emerald and jade, and though it might sound fantastic, one can imagine it looking quite attractive worn occasionally with some of the lovely new Louiseboulanger chiffon dinner and evening gowns. One in particular has a bodice made of printed chiffon, which is also fashioned into a full pannier movement below the waist to fall over a straight, softly clinging "underskirt" of plain green chiffon.

This pannier movement is reminiscent of the Watteau shepherdess styles and a distinct remove from princess silhouettes. The characteristic is more remarkable when willow green faille is posed over willow green chiffon and black and pink check taffeta over pink chiffon.

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THE "LAME DUCKS"
AT WUCHOWS.S. KONG SO REFLOATED:
KOCHOW STILL ON ROCKS

NO NEWS OF TAI HING

Further news as to the three steamers lying aground at Wuchow was contained in a Naval Wireless message this morning which stated that the s.s. Kong So was refloated yesterday and has proceeded down the river. The s.s. Kochow is still on the rocks and vessels going up river have been warned to proceed at a slow speed when passing her. No mention was made of the s.s. Tai Hing.

ITALIAN OPERA

Fine Performance of "Rigoletto"

An outstanding feature of the performance of "Rigoletto," given last night by Signor Carpi's Italian Grand Opera Company, was the achievement of Signor Reali as the jester, Rigoletto, whose admirable voice never once failed him in these lovely but difficult songs of Verdi's. Powerful, with a resonant timbre and a magnificent range and volume, his fine baritone voice literally triumphed in the song mourning the death of his beloved Gilda. One was also given immense pleasure by the singing of Mlle Denida, as Gilda. In the higher notes her voice came easily and richly, and her range and power are quite remarkably good. The dramatic technique of both Signor Reali and Mlle Denida was likewise of a high standard, and not, as in many operatic performances, merely secondary to the music.

The other members of the cast performed their parts exceedingly well. Signor Paminello as the gay young Duke of Mantua, besides cutting a pleasing figure in his Renaissance costume, sang richly. He has not the dramatic sense of Signor Reali, however, and inclines one to the belief that he is thinking overmuch of his song or his audience, instead of realising himself as the principal actor in a tragedy. His voice suggests feeling, but not his manner.

The story of the Opera, adapted from Victor Hugo's drama "Le Roi s'Amuse," is laid in the 16th century, and must be too well-known to readers to recount here.

The Opera Company well repay a visit, even to the most discriminating and fastidious patrons. "Madame Butterfly" will be performed this evening.

WATER RETURN

Level and Storage of water in Reservoirs on January 1, 1930:

CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS

	1929	1930
Tytam	15' 6" B	11' 3" B
Tytam Byowash	24' 6" B	19' 5" B
Tytam Intermediate	2' 2" B	1' 11" B
Tytam Tuk	47' 0" B	31' 0" B
Wong Nel Chung	24' 4" B	19' 1" B
Pokfulam	23' 2" B	10' 11" B

[Note: B. denotes "Above Overflow"; L. denotes "Level with Overflow"; Storage, in million and decimals of gallons.

Total 998.53 1,301.92

Consumption 155.41 210.64

Estimated population 428,260 438,580

Consumption per head per day 14.8 15.5

Services to houses in the Rider Main Districts were disconnected and a supply was given by public street fountains only during December, 1928.

From December 1 to 31, 1929, a 12-hour's supply (6 a.m.—6 p.m.)

Sport Columns

H.K. GOLF CLUB

Starting Times For To-morrow

The following are the starting times for the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club competitions for to-morrow:—

9.08 a.m.—H. G. Howard and W. J. Clerk.

9.16 a.m.—J. S. Dykes and C. B. Riggs.

9.24 a.m.—J. S. Drummond and F. M. Ellis.

9.28 a.m.—I. W. Shewan and Sqd. Ldr. Boumphyre.

9.32 a.m.—O. E. C. Marton and A. H. Alexander.

9.36 a.m.—C. Thwaites and J. Macknight.

9.40 a.m.—F. A. Howard and W. D. Harris.

9.44 a.m.—A. H. Ferguson and P. O. C. E. St. J. Beaumont.

9.48 a.m.—E. D. Lawrence and D. G. G. Macdonald.

9.52 a.m.—A. Langston and S. S. Perry.

9.56 a.m.—R. M. Henderson and A. Anderson.

10.00 a.m.—I. G. S. Dodwell and Major Asto.

10.04 a.m.—Capt. Bloxham and A. H. Musson.

10.08 a.m.—J. Smith and R. A. Campbell.

10.12 a.m.—V. M. Grayburn and E. Grimes.

10.16 a.m.—T. S. Whyte Smith and E. de Voeux.

10.20 a.m.—I. R. Andrews and Lieut. Macintyre.

10.24 a.m.—A. E. Lissaman and Sub. Lt. Moseley.

10.28 a.m.—A. C. Meredith and J. Higget.

10.32 a.m.—R. W. Taplin and E. D. Black.

10.36 a.m.—A. H. Penn and M. G. Mills.

10.40 a.m.—E. P. Streathfield and M. D. Scott.

10.44 a.m.—H. Hampton and J. S. McLaren.

10.48 a.m.—H. U. Ireland and A. Leach.

10.52 a.m.—I. H. Geare and F. A. Redmond.

10.56 a.m.—W. Weight and W. C. Clark.

11.00 a.m.—J. W. Alabaster and G. W. Reeve.

11.04 a.m.—W. A. Butterfield and Major Beamish.

11.08 a.m.—W. B. Cornaby and A. Piercy.

11.12 a.m.—A. B. Purves and O. Eager.

11.16 a.m.—J. D. Humphreys and J. R. Collis.

11.20 a.m.—J. D. Thomson and A. D. Humphreys.

11.24 a.m.—A. G. Coppin and G. H. Wilson.

11.28 a.m.—J. Forbes and E. M. Bryden.

11.32 a.m.—E. R. West and J. L. Bonnar.

11.36 a.m.—J. L. Adams and J. B. Lanyon.

11.40 a.m.—J. C. Kyle and D. J. Gilmore.

11.44 a.m.—C. E. Moore and D. S. Robs.

11.48 a.m.—C. Mycock and S. T. Butlin.

11.52 a.m.—G. E. Towns and M. B. Mathews.

11.56 a.m.—T. C. Monaghan and H. A. Lammert.

12.00 p.m.—N. K. Littlejohn and A. O. Brown.

RUGBY FOOTBALL

The Club team to meet the Army in the last triangular tournament match to-day on the Hong Kong F.C. ground at 4.15 p.m. is as follows:—

Back: R. J. Grieve; three quarters, G. A. L. Plummer, J. D. A. Hutchinson, M. D. Scott, G. P. Lammer; Half-backs, R. Churchill, J. L. Bonnar; Forwards, R. C. Cherrill, A. D. Sutill, D. L. Milne-Day, E. R. West, T. Riddell, W. E. Peers, F. R. Burch, B. P. Massey.

Referee: Major Caddell.

SCHOOL SPORTS

Annual Meeting of Ellis Kadoorie

The annual athletic sports meeting of the Ellis Kadoorie School for Indians was held on the Indian Recreation Club ground, Soo-kumpoo, yesterday afternoon, in the presence of a large gathering of spectators. There were 22 events on the programme, in all of which keen competition was seen, and an altogether enjoyable afternoon was spent by competitors and spectators alike.

Mrs. A. T. Hamilton gave away the prizes and at the close was accorded three hearty cheers on the call of Mr. Bishen Singh. She was also presented with a beautiful bouquet of flowers.

THE RESULTS

Event 1.—High Jump senior:—1. Abdum; 2. Gurdial Singh; 3. Abdul Ahmed.

Event 2.—High Jump junior:—1. A. Be Hassan; 2. Mohd Syed; 3. S. M. Bux.

Event 3.—Three-legged race senior:—1. Mohd Darwood and H. Ali; 2. Abdum and Abdullah.

Event 4.—Three-legged race junior:—1. Usuf Esmail and A. Be Hassan; 2. Naranjan Singh and Prabzad; 3. S. M. Bux and S. Ebrahim.

Event 5.—100 yards senior:—1. Gurdial Singh; 2. Abdum; 3. Abdullah.

Event 6.—100 yards junior:—1. Mohd Syed; 2. A. Be Hassan; 3. I. Darwood.

Event 7.—Sack race senior:—1. A. R. Kitchell; 2. Abdum; 3. A. H. Esmai.

Event 8.—Sack race junior:—1. A. Be Hassan; 2. S. Ebrahim; 3. G. R. Ali and W. Khan (dead heat).

Event 9.—220 yards senior:—1. Gurdial Singh; 2. Abdum; 3. Abdullah.

Event 10.—220 yards junior:—1. Mohd Syed; 2. A. Be Hassan; 3. S. M. Bux.

Event 11.—Throwing the cricket ball:—1. Abdum; 2. S. A. Ismail.

Event 12.—Class 8 race:—1. Mohd Yusuf; 2. Nazir Ahmed; 3. J. J. Tali.

Event 13.—½ mile senior:—1. Gurdial Singh; 2. Abdum; 3. D. Shamshuddin.

Event 14.—½ mile race:—1. Mohd Barkat; 2. S. M. Bux; 3. Mohd Syed.

Event 15.—Class 7 race:—1. Hussain Ali; 2. Mohd Darwood.

Event 16.—Arithmetical race:—1. Abdullah; 2. S. Ebrahim.

Event 17.—Arithmetical race (lower school):—1. Abdum; 2. R. Shamshuddin.

Event 18.—Class 4 race:—1. Darwood Ali; 2. Omar Hoosen.

Event 19.—Masters' race:—1. Mr. M. A. Khan, B.A.; 2. Mr. C. C. Tong, B.A.

Event 20.—One mile race:—1. A. H. Abbas; 2. R. M. Bux; 3. Tari Singh.

Event 21.—Old Boys' race:—1. D. Mohammed; 2. A. Hussain; 3. S. Hussain.

Event 22.—Consolation race:—1. Mohd Hassan; 2. Abdul Khan, Senior Champion;—Gurdial Singh.

Junior Championship:—Mohd Syed.

POLO

Results of Tournament Games

A fine indication of the evenness of the strength of the sides on competition was afforded by the American tournament run by the Hong Kong Polo Club. The result of the matches played yesterday found the competing teams on even terms, which means that the tourney will have to be played all over again.

The results of the games played yesterday, one chukker each, were as under:—

Odd Lots beat K.O.S.B., 1-0. Headquarters Officers drew with the Civilians, 1-1. Headquarters Officers beat Odd Lots, 1-0. Headquarters Officers drew with the Civilians, 1-1.

Owing to the illness of Col. Haskard, his place in the Headquarters Officers' team was taken by Lt. Kelly, K.O.S.B.

HOCKEY

Playing on the U.S.R.C. ground yesterday, the H.K. Hockey Club beat the Navy by three goals to two. The match was fast and interesting and both teams were in excellent form.

Caer Clark Cup

The Kowloon Ladies Hockey Club and the Club de Recreio ladies will meet in the first match for the Caer Clark Cup on the Y.M.C.A. ground at King's Park at 3 p.m. to-day. The teams are as follows:—

Recreio: A. Roza, A. Basto, L. Silva-Notto, C. Botelho, M. Roza, M. Bernadis, M. Alves, O. Basto, H. Leite, C. Osmund, L. Xavier.

Kowloon Ladies: M. Mason, M. Woolley, M. George, N. Field, V. Woolley, P. Whitley, D. Pinguet, V. Eastman, E. Anslow, I. Rogers, E. Woolley.

HEAD OR BUST?

Czech Actress Sues A Sculptor

Madame Anna Sedlachkova, of the National Theatre, has brought an action against the talented Czech sculptor, Foit, who had been commissioned to make a marble model of the actress's head.

Recently Madame Sedlachkova was astonished and disagreeably surprised to find a crowd outside one of the largest Prague art stores gazing with interest at a model, not only of her head, but of her naked bust as well.

Several newspapers and magazines reproduced the work. The actress at once insisted that the bust (to her) offensive portions of the work should be suitably draped.

She was unable to obtain the removal of the model, and is now suing the sculptor for "seminalisation."

She declares that she sat to the sculptor only for a model of her head, certainly not for a full bust. On the other hand, the sculptor declares that the actress sat for him exactly as he had depicted her in the model.

He says that one of the sittings took place in the presence of her husband, a Czech industrialist.

BEFORE THE WAR

TURKEY'S DAY OF REST

CHANGE TO BE MADE FROM FRIDAY TO SUNDAY

ECONOMIC EFFECT

Stambul.—The Government has virtually decided that Sunday, not Friday, shall be the weekly day of rest. The decision has been widely commented on by the Turkish Press. It is understood that a draft law relating to the change is about to be laid before the Great National Assembly at Angora. The reasons for the reform are purely economic. It is one of the remedies the Government contemplates for the depression Turkey has experienced during the past three years.

In February, 1924, Turkey introduced a compulsory weekly rest-day. The choice fell on Friday, because on that day, more than on others, Musulmans devote time to prayer, and because Turkey, after the Anatolian victory, wished to emphasise national sentiment. All the foreign administrations and banks accordingly had to close their offices on Fridays.

The Sheri law does not recognise a weekly day of rest. The Musulman used to close his shop on Friday only for an hour or two about noon. There were many objections to the Government's choice of Friday as a compulsory rest-day. Financial transactions, for example, were obstructed, because banks, being closed on Sundays, were unable to communicate with the Occidental markets, and owing to the closing of European stock exchanges, were unable to work normally on Saturdays and Sundays. Thus every week contained almost three days when economic activity was paralysed.

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MR. G. B. SHAW AS SUN-WORSHIPPER

INVITATION TO "JOY OF LIFE BALL"

Mr. George Bernard Shaw may appear as the High Priest of Sun-Worshippers at the "Joy of Life Ball" organised by the People's League of Health, to be held at Covent Garden.

Miss Olga Nethersole, the founder and honorary organiser of the People's League of Health, told a reporter that she had asked Mr. Shaw to lead the Lido section of the pageant, which will depict sun-worshippers from the earliest times to the present day. It is suggested that Mr. Shaw should appear in his own wonderful sun-bathing costume, and act as the High Priest of these seekers after health.

Mr. Shaw has not yet replied to the invitation, but the prospects of his appearance are regarded as good.

GHANDI SUSPICIOUS

Request For "Absolute Guarantees"

Mahatma Gandhi, the Indian leader, in a letter to Mr. Fenner Brockway, the Labour M.P. for East Leyton, who had urged co-operation as a step towards the solution of India's problems, writes as follows regarding the Viceroy's declaration on Dominion status for India:—

"I have done whatever was possible, but you will be patient with me if I do not take things quite on trust. I would want some absolute guarantees that things are not what they seem. The two Parliamentary Debates contain nothing, not even in Benn's speech, that would give me assurance that I may approach the Conference with confidence and safety. I would rather wait and watch and pray than run into what may after all be a dangerous trap, maybe quite unintended."

"The Montagu reforms have proved illusory. They have not eased the misery of the poor. On the contrary they have demonstrably increased their burdens. The price that was paid for the reforms was altogether too heavy. I want to pay no price for Dominion Status, or whatever name the reality is called by. Why should a creditor have to pay anything for the repayment of debts due to him?"

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World News In Pictures

Much Impressed by West.



Hector Charleworth, editor-in-chief of the Toronto Saturday Night and author of "Gaudy Chronicles" and "More Gaudy Chronicles", has been traveling throughout the West on a combination holiday and business tour this summer. He is here seen in the grounds of the Empress Hotel Victoria which he visited for the first time since its construction. He was greatly impressed with the rapid growth and development of the entire city of Victoria.

Wyoming Man For Senate



Patrick J. Sullivan, Republican National Committeeman from Wyoming, has been appointed by Governor Frank C. Emerson to succeed the late Senator Francis E. Warren. Sullivan will serve until a successor is chosen at a special election this month.

Signs Into World Court



Jay Pierpont Moffatt, youthful Charge d'Affaires and interim of the American Legation at Berne, Switzerland, who was authorized by President Hoover to sign the World Court protocol on behalf of the United States.

Claims Fortune



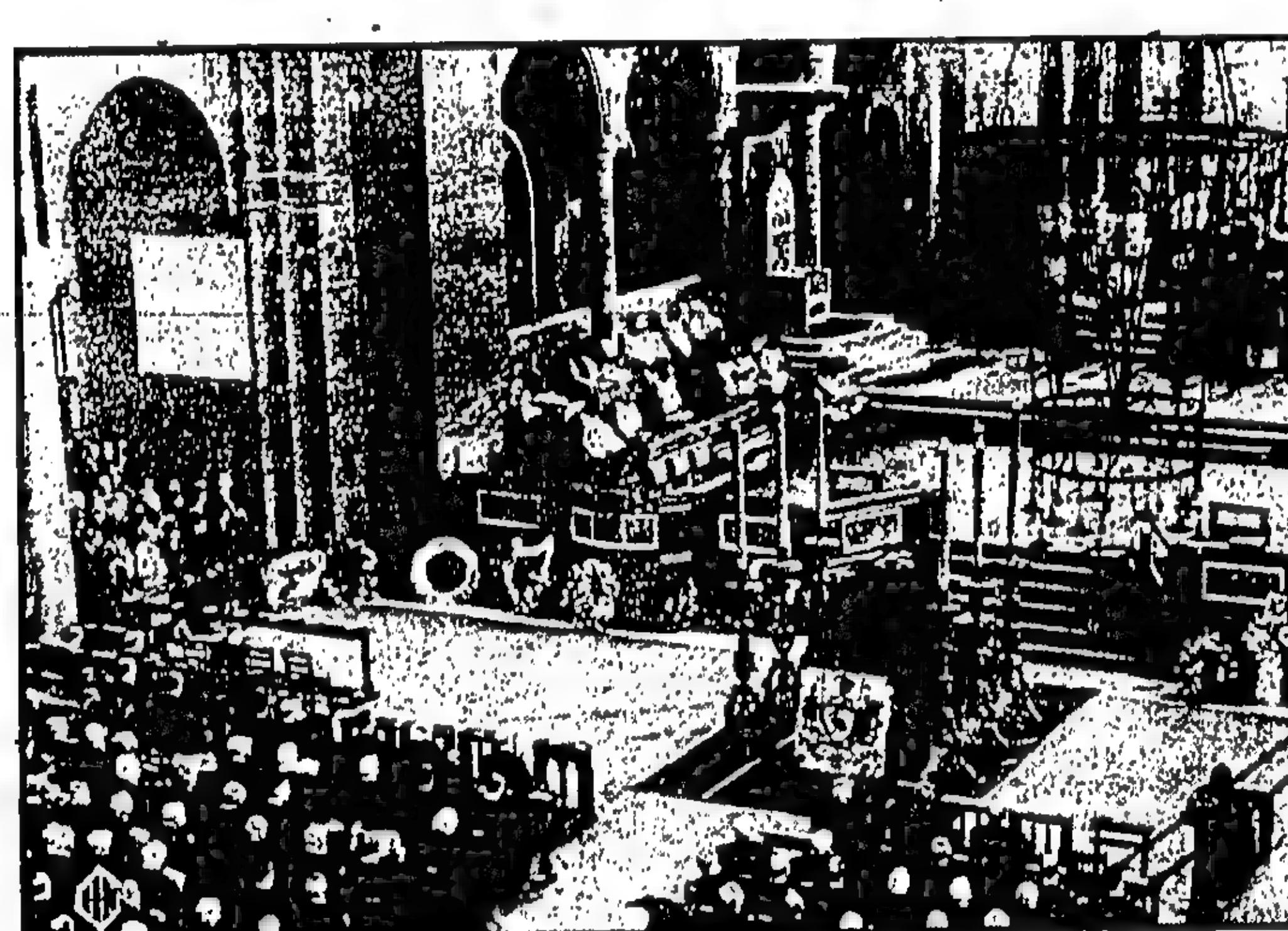
Leonard Charles Gray Reed, fifteen-year-old "worker" in a Sheffield steel works, claims that he is the missing heir to the late William Emery, Flamingo, N. J. He has begun proceedings to recover a fortune of \$100,000.

\$1,000,000 Bequest



News from Chicago filled the humble home of Mrs. Louis Hutchinson, of London, with joy when she learned that through the demise of an aunt who had gone to Chicago more than twenty-seven years ago, she is the owner of \$1,000,000.

Homage to "Tay Pay"



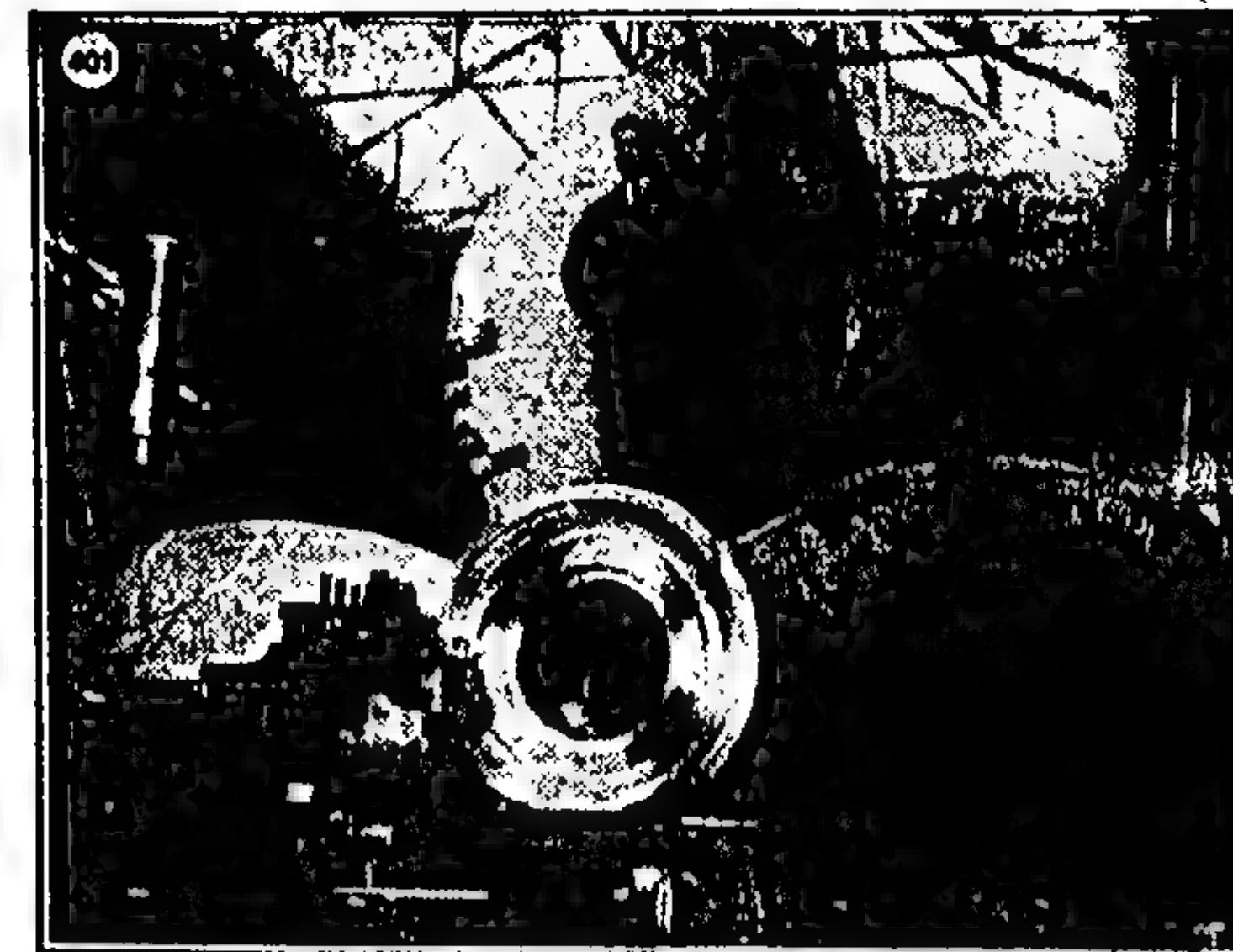
The funeral services for T. P. O'Connor, journalist and statesman, known as "Father of the House of Commons," was one of the most impressive gatherings which has ever been seen within the portals of Westminster Cathedral. The services were attended by statesmen, newspaper men and the general public.

Rail Heads Aid Amateur Sport



Included among a number of British Rugby Union of Canada presidents, Canadian and international presidents, masters, heads of the college and honorary vice-president of the Union and donor of the highly prized and hard fought for MacKenzie Cup and Sir George McLaren Brown, European general manager

World's Largest Bronze Propeller



All in one piece—four blades and boss—the propeller shown above in the process of manufacture is the world's largest bronze propeller. It has just been made in the Charlton Works of J. Stone & Co. Ltd. for the new Canadian Pacific liner "Empress of Japan," which will take up service between Canada and the Orient next July.

More than 35 tons of special bronze was used in casting this "wheel," which is over 20 ft. in diameter. There are two of these on the new 25,000-ton vessel.

They will absorb 15,000 shaft horse power each and will drive the liner at a speed of 21 knots. The propellers weighing 20 tons apiece.

Candidate for Peace Prize



Salmon O. Levison, Chicago lawyer, was reported to be a candidate for the Nobel Peace Prize. He is the author of what is now the world-famous plan for the outlawry of war.

Soviet Ambassador



Comrade Sokolnikov has been named Ambassador to represent the Soviet in Britain. The post is one requiring great diplomatic skill. It is believed that Sokolnikov's long experience as a statesman particularly fits him for the position.

Bryan's Daughter



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The Cubs' Corner

One day when you are playing with some of your little friends, and you don't quite know what to do, make this suggestion: See who can draw the best with the eyes shut. Oh, dear, it is so funny, and so difficult, too. The best thing to say is, "Now we will all draw a cat." The players all take up their pencils, shut their eyes, and they try to draw a cat on their paper. Afterwards, at a given signal, all open their eyes and show their drawings to each other. The pictures are bound to cause lots of laughs.

Another day try drawing an animal by figures. You know what I mean: Six for a nose, and nought for the head, and so on. Make up your own designs, and use what figures you like. It's wonderful what quaint pictures you can make in this way.

The "Old Scout's" Column.

"Kindness and Old Spanish gentleness are Proverbs great virtues," says an old Spanish proverb; and another says, "Oblige without regarding whom you oblige," which means be kind to every one, great and small, rich or poor.

The great point about these knights was that they were always doing kindnesses or good turns to people. Their idea was that every one must die, but we should make up our mind that before our time comes we shall do something worth while. Therefore do it at once, for we never know when we may be going off.

So with Scouts, it A Good Turn A Day of our laws that we do a good turn to some one every day. It does not matter how small that good turn may be, if it be only to guide a little child across a street or to put a halfpenny in the poor box. Something good ought to be done each day of your life, and you should start to-day to carry out this rule with renewed vigour, and never forget it, even after you cease to be Scouts. Remember the knot in your scarf—the reminder to do a good turn.

When the Russians Even were besieged in Port Between Arthur by the Japanese enemies who got close up to their fort by digging long, deep trenches, into which the Russians were not able to shoot. On one occasion, they were so close that a Russian soldier was able to throw a letter into the enemy trench. In this letter, he said that he wanted to send a message to his mother in Russia, as she was very anxious about him; but as Port Arthur was cut off from all communication he begged that the Japanese would send the message for him; and one enclosed a gold coin to pay the cost. The Japanese soldier who found the note, instead of tearing it up and keeping the gold coin, did what every Scout would do, took it to his officer, and the officer

PIRACIES AND WRECKS

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effect that whilst the Yuen Lee was swinging, she was struck on the port side by the Japanese str. Taian Maru and that a large hole below the water line was made by the bow of the latter vessel. The Yuen Lee sank, within an hour and the wreck was a menace to shipping until the funnel and masts were removed by explosives. The hull, loaded with 3,000 tons of coal, still remains on the bed of the river, but at a depth which causes no inconvenience to ships negotiating the Bend.

November

We come to November 7 when the British str. Mollere swung across the river as a result of parting of her storm mooring ropes caused by the German str. Lahn passing at high speed. The former vessel grounded but was later able to resume her position at the buoys. In going through our records we come across several similar instances.

December

On December 17, the Japanese str. Yutoro Maru, inward bound, collided with H.M.S. Berwick at the British Naval buoy and sliding along the side of the man-of-war did considerable damage to herself and some to the cruiser. She dropped both anchors and swinging

ROUND THE CAMP FIRE

Scouts in Kilt

PROPOSED FORMATION OF SCOTTISH TROOP

It is understood that a Scottish troop of Boy Scouts is shortly to be formed in Kowloon. Mr. R. M. Dyer is actively interested in the project and those who are interested in the project and those who are interested should get in touch with Mr. W. C. K. Mackie, of the Kowloon Docks.

If the new troop is established, it should be a striking addition to the local Scout Movement, as, it is understood, the kilt will be worn by the laddies as part of their uniforms. It is also hoped to form a Pipe Band in connection therewith.

OLD PATHS IN AFRICA

WHY THEY ARE ALWAYS WINDING

THE SLAVE ROAD

In Africa, long before the British came and built roads (says a British writer), small paths wound in and out of the bush, from village to village. These paths remain today and are still used. They are always winding because they were made by the feet of the natives who trod them, and a native cannot make a straight line.

These paths, when you see them in open grass country, wind in and out like a corkscrew. They are very narrow because they were worn by men walking in single file, as the natives always walk. Nowadays they are very often trodden by white men because there are still comparatively few roads for cars.

The District Commissioner goes along these winding paths from village to village to hold his courts. The paths run through the bush, and one wonders about the first people who trod them, because they must have cut a way between the cactus thorn and wild sisal and other thick-growing things which, even when they are cut, leave sharp stumps that make walking dangerous and painful. There are parts of the bush through which only the rhino can force his way.

Native Pioneers

The little paths tell us that those first natives were pioneers, like the white men who followed them with road building. Both cut their way through this seemingly impenetrable bush, and one of these days the roads will intersect each other across Africa as the paths do now. And the paths, perhaps, will be forgotten and will presently disappear.

Sometimes this happens now when a village or a banana plantation is moved and there are no longer feet to keep the path, and the coarse grass maybe grows over it from either side. But does a path ever quite disappear? Do we not feel that a man many years later might find the path beneath his feet, guiding him along its windings as it was made by runnings, naked feet to the village, or to where a village once was?

Pitiful Recollection

Men making roads now in Africa or elsewhere find traces of roads made or begun many years ago. So men set their mark on a country as though they made it their own, leaving something of themselves that shall last for ever. Lately engineers building a road at Kenya came across a strip of an old road abandoned a good many years ago. The bush had crept up on either side to swallow it, but these men found on the stones the wheel marks of the old caravans that used to go up and down from the Coast. In time the bush will quite cover these stones and the marks of the wheels until the road-maker comes that way again, and one feels

An Expansion Plan

GIRL GUIDES IN NEW YORK

New York.—Appointment of four New York women as committee chairman in the five-year expansion plan recently adopted by the Girl Scout convention in New Orleans, which seeks to increase the membership from 200,000 to 800,000 by 1935, has just been announced here.

Mrs. Arthur O. Choate will be committee chairman of the programme division; Mrs. Nathan L. Miller, chairman of the personnel division; Mrs. Frederick Edey, chairman of the field division; and Mrs. Giles Whiting, chairman of the business division. All four are officers of the national Girl Scout organisation.

That somehow he will be guided to the place where a road ran.

One of the oldest roads in Africa is the slave road, and parts of this still exist. Down this long road, all the way from Uganda to the Coast, the unfortunate slaves were marched in chains. In those days there were great slave markets in Zanzibar. One feels that something of pain and suffering must be left on that road, if our lives mark the road we tread as we mark our countries and our homes.

Paths Made by Animals

It is not only man who makes paths. Animals follow each other until a path is worn, goats and sheep and wild beasts, each treading where another living thing has trod before. There is always wonder and fascination in thinking about those feet that found the path first for others to tread.

These African paths run through coarse elephant grass as high as corn, which very often meets over a man's head, through melon plantations and banana trees, from one mud village to another. They were long before the White Man came to Africa, long before the first road was made. They wind before one into the bush, fascinating and mysterious.

Who has not been thrilled by a white road or path circling a hill. Who has not longed to follow it to the end? A road may be company, which explains perhaps how paths first came to be made when primitive man followed primitive man as beast followed beast. A road leads to a home at evening, where in open country a man moves naturally a circle, and may never find his way.

The Old Garden Path

Once in an English garden we knew paths that had long been grown over but kept coming up through the grass and moss. The garden had been moved to the other side of the big house to catch more sun. The original garden was left free to go back in time to meadow. But in many years it did not go back. Always the marks of the beds were there, and between the fruit trees that were left the paths showed under the moss, straight and regular paths, not like the winding paths of Africa. They showed at night under the moon, the paths on which no one walked, the flower beds where no one sowed. The old garden was there still, like the old paths.

Girl Guides' Grotto

There is not a single girl, I believe, who does not enjoy camping out, but half the art of camping consists in being able to make something out of nothing. The true guide is justifiably proud of the ingenious and useful "gadgets" she can make out of wood and bits of string. Gadgets made by the novices are often inadequate and shaky, usually because the wood is not strong enough for the purpose, or the string is insufficient, or the lashing too loose. But frequently failure is experienced because one of the most primitive and important principles of construction is unknown—the principle of the triangle.

That principle is worth explanation. If four pieces of wood are lashed together to form a square, it is very easy to press it into another shape, unless the lashings are remarkably good. But lash three pieces together to form a triangle, and you will find it impossible to press the triangle into any other shape, and amateurish lashings will not matter so much. For instance, if you make an ordinary boot rack with a front and back frame work, and put several struts (forming triangles) across any two of the corners, it is impossible for the boot rack to collapse sideways if the lashings are fairly firm and the wood is strong.

Any company which hopes to go camping should take square lashing as one of the seven knots for the second class test. It is slightly more difficult than the others, but it is immensely useful. The point is to make the flapping turns really tight. An inexhaustible supply of string is needed for gadget making. It is worth while to set the whole company collecting it some months before going to camp.

Gadget wood is sometimes hard to find on the camp site. Permission to cut wood often has to be obtained, and the cutting is done under the supervision of a guider who knows what pieces to cut and how to cut them. If wood can only be gathered, the guides are shown how to select suitable pieces for their gadgets.

GUESSING TIME

Time and distance are two things about which there is always great difference of opinion, and nearly everyone falls into error when judging time, even when they try to count the seconds. Usually, people who try to count a minute, make it from 40 to 45 seconds. If you have not a watch you can mark time exactly with a piece of string and a lead plummet or small weight of any kind. It is used like the pendulum of a clock. If the string is 40 inches long, it will swing three-quarter seconds, and a string 10 inches long will swing half-seconds.

THE CHIEF SCOUT'S SISTER

Despite her seventy-one years, and undeterred by the recent rain, Miss Baden-Powell, sister of the Chief Scout, was recently under canvas in Sussex with detachments of girl guides, states a London writer. With her upright figure and alert manner B.P.'s sister could easily pass for a woman of fifty.

She herself attributes her health and youthfulness to her lifelong passion for camping-out. Miss Baden-Powell spent a fortnight going from camp to camp throughout the South of Britain, and staying a night or two at each.

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Sensational drop of the dollar's value; what the Government of China is going to do about it; the gold basis, etc.

Prolonged cold snap causing, incidentally, deaths from exposure in Hong Kong and untold suffering elsewhere;

University congregation and notable speeches by the Chief Justice and Governor;

British vessel on fire in the harbour.

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and kerosene. The burning junk drifted to sea and caused great anxiety amongst the shipping. It was flood tide and the junk eventually brought up at Pan Tse Bay well clear of shipping. Four natives were burnt to death.

July 15. The N.D.L. Derflinger was stranded near Tsingtao after striking the Hsien Kung Tao Rock on this date. It was not until August 25 that the vessel was made seaworthy by the Shanghai Tug & Lighter Co. and the Old Dock Co.

July 16. Chinese m.v. Henghan on fire at Chefoo in the Foochow district. Vessel became a total loss.

August 18. The Chinese str. Shenglee struck a rock off the south coast of Sand Island in the Hautes Straits. She became a total loss after pirates had boarded her and the captain and officers were taken off by the pirates for ransom.

August 22. The Chinese str. Tungkuang was sunk in a typhoon in the Samtien district and the crew were rescued by the British str. Talling. On the same day a large vessel entered drydock in Shanghai. She came out some three weeks later and within five hours was involved in a serious collision in the Whampoo which is referred to above.

August 25. Chinese Gannet was damaged near Nanking. The gunboat's bow was damaged.

November 22. The str. Kwangchih was pirated near Wenchow. One passenger was killed and all passengers

Pilgrimages to the grave of the Roman Catholic priest, the Rev. Patrick Power, in Holy Cross Cemetery, at Malden (Mass.), have been forbidden by the Archbishop of Boston, Cardinal O'Connell.

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crashed into the French gunboat Marne and then struck the French cruiser Waldeck-Rousseau causing some damage and also damaging the water line was made by the bow of the latter vessel. The Yuen Leo sank, within an hour and the wreck was a menace to shipping until the funnel and masts were removed by explosives. The hull, loaded with 3,000 tons of coal, still remains on the bed of the river, but at a depth which causes no inconvenience to ships negotiating the Bend.

DURING 1929

The following shipping disasters and accidents are selected at random and are occurrences at sea which took place at points of the China coast other than in the approaches to Shanghai.

January

January 4. The British str. Timming struck a submerged object at Tak Hou below Shui Hing. The damage sustained necessitated dry docking.

January 10. The Portuguese str. Tullel and Dilly, collided in the Samtien area, both sustaining damage and necessitating repairs.

January 13. The Chinese m.v. Chingchangli struck a submerged rock off the Taihong Islands in a fog. The vessel sank in deep water off Nan Chia Islands. Many were drowned.

January 17. Near Ichang the American str. Chinan struck a rock and sustained considerable damage. The vessel was beached and temporary repairs carried out. Later she came to Shanghai for repairs.

January 30. The German m.v. Hsiang Chi struck a rock in the Upper Yangtze with much damage and was beached. Repairs were carried out at Ichang.

February 20. In the Yangtze near Hankow the Chinese str. Yochow foundered. All lives saved by British tug Shunho.

March

March 26. U.S.S. Tutuhi struck a rock near Hankow and sustained considerable damage. She was beached in a sinking condition. Temporary repairs were effected and the vessel proceeded to Shanghai for complete repairs.

March 30. The British str. Tungting struck a rock in the middle Yangtze. The damage was extensive and the vessel became a total loss.

Similar accidents occurred to the Japanese str. Wanpu, the Chinese str. Yuhang, and the American str. Meidu. Many other such occurrences are recorded in all parts of the Yangtze.

April

April 18. A large Chinese pas-

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS

Hong Kong,
February 17th, 1930.

Stock	Closing Quotations 4 p.m. Friday, 17th	Rise or Fall over Week	Approximate yield per cent per annum on present quotation based on last year's dividend	Capital	Number of Shares	Value	Paid up	Reserve	Carried Forward	Date	Last Dividend	When Paid
Banks												
H.K. & Shn Banking Corp. Do. (London)	\$1,300 b \$1,305 sa £116 nominal	+\$5.00	6 %	\$20,000,000	160,000	\$125	\$125	£6,000,000 \$14,000,000	\$3,307,812	31.12.28	Final div. £3 and bonus £1 making £7 for 1929	Pending
Chartered Bank of I. A. & C.	£18 nominal		6 %	\$3,700,000	600,000	25	25	£4,000,000	£186,556	31.12.28	Div. for 1928, 20/6d. free I/tax Interim div. of 24/6 p.a.c. 1929	Sept. 11, 1929.
Mercantile Bank of I. Ltd. A. & B. Do. C.	£27/3 nominal £15/3 nominal			\$1,800,000	60,000 60,000	25 25	125/2 25	£1,450,000	£162,046	31.12.28	Div. for 1928, 16/6, less I/tax	Sept. 12, 1929.
Bank of East Asia, Ltd.	\$96 buyers		8 1/4 %	\$10,000,000	12) 100,000	\$100	\$100	£1,500,000	\$401,740	31.12.28	Dividend of \$6 for 1928 and bonus \$2 making \$8 for 1928	Feb. 18, 1929
Marine Insurances												
Canton Ins. Office, Ltd.	\$715 buyers \$710/715 sales			\$2,500,000	10,000	\$250	\$100	£1,041,285 \$1,021,770 \$2,381,661	\$1,657,848	31.12.28	Final of \$22 making \$40 for 1927 Int. of \$18 for 1928	May 23, 1929
Union Ins. S'ty of Cton, Ltd.	\$379 b. \$380 sa.			\$2,000,000	21) 200,000	\$10	24	£60,500 £2,814,291 £612,519 £300,000 £447,850 £150,000	£264,170	31.12.28	Final of 16/- for 1927. Interim of 24/- a/c. 1928	May 24, 1929
Yangtze Ins. Assoc., Ltd.	M. \$50 nominal		7 %	\$2,500,000	15) 250,000	\$10	\$10	£152,592 \$34,224	Dr. \$37,463	31.12.28	Dividend \$3/4 for 1928	June 28, 1929
China Underwriters, Ltd.	\$2 sellers	— \$0.10		\$5,000,000	5) 500,000	\$10	3	£759,762 \$769,575	Dr. \$37,463	31.12.28 none	
Fire Insurances												
China Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	\$340 buyers	+\$5.00		\$2,000,000	90,000	\$100	\$20	£2,452,412 \$1,092,152 \$200,000	£907,311	31.12.28	\$9 and bonus \$6 for 1927 and Interim \$3 for 1928	May 24, 1929
H'kong Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	\$820 buyers			\$2,000,000	8,000	\$250	\$50	£512,071 \$100,000	£675,320	31.12.28	\$48 for 1927	Mar. 26, 1929
Shipping												
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	£25 1/4 nominal			\$1,000,000	20,000	\$50	\$50	£186,436 \$190,074	Nil	31.12.28	Div. of \$4 for 1924	Mar. 28, 1928
H'kong, C. & M. S. B. Co., Ltd.	£27 1/4 nominal		8 1/4 %	\$1,200,000	80,000	\$15	\$15	£50,000 \$1,642 \$368,831 \$438,861	£2,452,412 \$1,092,152 \$200,000	31.12.28	Dividend of \$1 for 1928	Feb. 18, 1929
Indo China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd. { Preferred Deferred	\$43 nominal \$70 nominal	+\$0.50		£1,200,000	1) 120,000 2) 120,000	25 25	25 25	£135,000 £220,215 £50,698 £384,877 £260,178 £127,917	£15,113	31.12.28	Div. of 12/- at ex. 2/0/4 = \$5.94 a/c. 1924 and 1925 on preferred shares Div. of 30/- at ex. 2/6/4 = \$11.90 on deferred shares a/c. 1921	June 19, 1929 May 24, 1929
Star Ferry Company, Ltd.	\$70 buyers		5 %	\$1,000,000	2) 100,000	\$10	\$10	£100,000 \$180,000 \$98,712	£40,038	31.12.28	Div. \$2 and bonus \$1 1/4 making \$3 1/4 for 1928	Feb. 15, 1929
Refineries												
China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$1 nominal			P. \$2,000,000	80,000	P. \$25	P. \$25	P. 244,000	nil	31.12.28	(In Liquidation) P. 3 a/c. 1928	April 11, 1929
Malabon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$27 nominal			P. 420,000	14,000	P. 30	P. 30	P. 244,000	£307,438	30.6.29	Final of 2/- free I/tax (Coupon No. 35) making 4/- for year ending 30.6.29	Dec. 19, 1929
Oil and Mining												
Kailan Mining Administration	55/- nominal	—2/6	7 1/4 %	£2,000,000	25) 2,000,000	£1	£1	£1	£307,438	30.6.29		
Mastachappi tot. &c. Combined	T. 13.60 nominal			Tls. 1,825,000	250,000	Gld. 10	all	Tls. 168,166	T. 50 for year 31-10-27			
Do. Langkat-Singkep	Tls. 7 1/4 nominal			Tls. 3,000,000	600,000	Tls. 5	5	Nil	Dr. Tls. 45,908	31.10.28		
Do. Exploration & Development	Tls. 1.30 nominal			Tls. 1,250,000	250,000	Tls. 5	5	Tls. 560,000	Dr. Tls. 496,213	31.12.28		
Do. Loan and Investment	Tls. 5 nominal								Cr. Tls. 16,091	31.12.28	T. 75 cts. for 1928	
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	£12 1/4 buyers	+\$1.50	14 1/4 %	£200,000	200,000	£1	£1	£10,000	£7,321	31.3.29	Div. for 1928/1929. 2/6d. Interim of 1/6d. a/c. 1929/1930	Dec. 12, 1929
Shell T'port & T'ding Co., Ltd.	95/10 nominal		5 1/4 %	£43,000,000	17) 300,000 11) 10,000,000 9) 30,000,000	£10 £10 £10	£10 £10 £10	£6,354,165	£237,604	31.12.28	Div. for 1928 5/- Interim of 2/- free of Income Tax, a/c 1928 (Coupon No. 55)	Jun. 6, 1930.
Docks, Wharves & Godowns												
H'kong & K. W. & G. Co., Ltd.	\$144 1/2 b \$145 sa	+\$1.00	5 1/4 %	\$4,000,000	80,000	\$50	\$50	£100,000 \$400,000	£300,000	31.12.28	Div. \$6 and bonus \$2 making \$8 for 1928	Mar. 7, 1929
H.K. & W. Dock Co., Ltd.	\$31 1/4 nominal			\$10,000,000	28) 200,000	\$50	\$50	£1,350,000 \$50,000	£121,381	31.12.28	Final div. of \$2 making \$4 for 1924	Mar. 31, 1925
Shai Dock & Eng. Co., Ltd.	Tls. 106 nominal	—T. 1.50	7 %	Tls. 2,785,000	4) 55,700	Tls. 60	Tls. 50	£600,000	Tls. 185,702	30.4.29	Dividend of Tls. 7 1/4 for the year ending 30.4.29	July 27, 1929.
New Engineering & Ship'bldg Wks., Ltd. Do. Pref.	Tls. 7 1/2 nominal Tls. 4.75 buyers	+T. 0.50	5 1/4 %	Tls. 6,000,000	29) 500,000 30) 500,000	Tls. 5 Tls. 5	Tls. 5 Tls. 5	£745,012 £200,000	Tls. 54,370	31.12.28	Tl. 0.40 for 1928 Div. 8% on Preference shares	Mar. 15, 1929
Lands, Hotels & Buildings												
H'kong & Shanghai Hotels, Ltd.	\$12.65 buyers \$12 1/2-65 sales			\$10,000,000	8) 1,000,000	\$10	\$10	£6,518,349	£175,510	31.12.28	Final div. of \$0.60 on Old and New shares for year ending 31.12.24	April 8, 1925
H'kong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.	\$65 b. & sa.		6 1/4 %	\$6,000,000	240,000	\$25	\$25	£7,000,000 \$250,000 \$50,000	£986,978	31.12.28	Final div. \$2 making \$4 for 1928	Pending
H'phrey Estate & F. Co., Ltd.	\$14 b. \$14.20 sa.	+\$0.30	7 %	\$1,600,000	150,000	\$10	\$10	£100,000 \$450,000 \$75,000 \$75,000	£68,728	31.12.28	Div. 80 cents and bonus 20 cents making \$1 for 1928	Feb. 8, 1929
S'hai Land Investment Co., Ltd.	Tls. 172 buyers		5 1/4 %	Tls. 7,020,000	140,400	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	£2,084,010 \$60,000	£602,303	31.12.28	Div. for 1928, Tls. 9 Interim of Tls. 8 a/c. 1929	July 31, 1929
H.K. Realty & Trust Co., Ltd.	\$8.90 sellers	+\$0.10	6 1/4 %	\$2,000,000	200,000	\$10	\$10	£200,000	\$11,057	31.12.28	Div. for 1928, 80 cents Interim of 80 cents a/c. 1929	Aug. 12, 1929.
Cotton Mills												
Ewo Cotton Mills, Ltd.	Tls. 15.60 buyers Tls. 15.80/75 sa. Tls. 107 nominal	+T. 0.25	3 1/4 %	Tls. 5,000,000	15) 1,000,000 16) 1,000,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	£1,000,000 \$500,000	£4,950	31.12.28	Div. for 1928, Tls. 80 Interim of Tls. 40 a/c. 1929	Aug. 23, 1929
Shanghai Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	(Old) Tls. 83 b. (New) Tls. 54 a.		6 1/4 %	Tls. 4,000,000	80,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	£1,000,000 \$480,000 \$80,000	£223,325	31.10.29	New for 1/2 year ending 31.10.29 Final call of Tls. 25 on new shares payable 29 Jan. 1930	Nov. 25, 1929
Zoong Sing Cotton Mills, Ltd.	Tls. 10 nominal		6 %	Tls. 2,000,000	12) 200,000	Tls. 10	Tls. 10	£1,000,000 \$200,000 \$110,000	Tls. 10,304			

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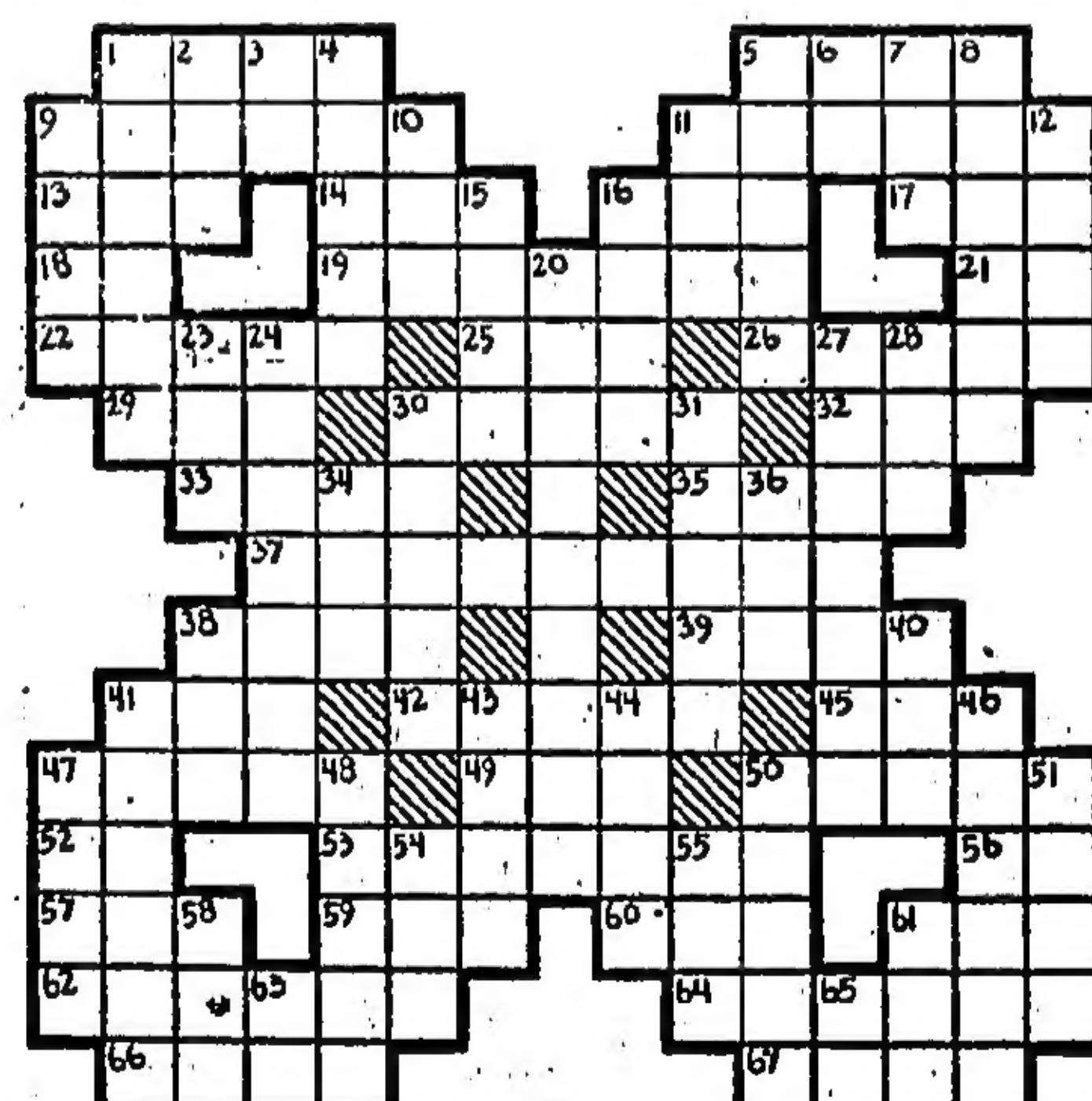
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HORIZONTAL

- 1-Davolop
- 5-Arranges
- 9-A brave person
- 11-Begin
- 13-Very warm
- 14-Look at
- 15-Vocal sound made in contempt
- 17-More names
- 18-Prefix. Well
- 19-American authoress
- 21-Ahead
- 22-To put on
- 25-Last part of an ancient lyric ode
- 29-To plod (slang)
- 30-A variety of fishing line
- 32-Silent
- 33-Blow with open hand
- 35-A sea-weed
- 37-Chloride
- 38-Elaborate
- 39-A variety of chess
- 41-Talk nonsense (slang)
- 42-Tumble
- 45-To scold continually
- 47-Children (contemptuous)

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 49-One (Scot.)
- 50-Essential oil of roses
- 52-N. Central State of U. S. (abbr.)
- 53-Wife of David
- 54-B. State of U. S.
- 55-Point of compass (abbr.)
- 56-Brownish color
- 57-Nothing
- 58-Roman number
- 59-Embrace
- 60-Sea west of Greece
- 61-Observe
- 62-Have a mind to
- 63-Not
- 64-Some
- 65-Confers
- 66-Lark
- 67-Doctor's degree (abbr.)
- 68-Doctor's certificate (abbr.)
- 69-Doctor's certificate (abbr.)
- 70-Blast
- 71-Be tangled
- 72-Confers
- 73-Paroxysm
- 74-Lamb
- 75-The great Indian (abbr.)
- 76-Scandal
- 77-Containers for meat
- 78-A silk fabric
- 79-Saint
- 80-Shower
- 81-Interdict
- 82-Roman number
- 83-A small town (abbr.)
- 84-Of age (Latin abbr.)
- 85-Association (abbr.)
- 86-A metal (abbr.)
- 87-The sun

(The editor of the above cross-word puzzle will appear on Monday's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

THE WORLD OF BOOKS.

STORIES OF WAR AND PEACE

"Lord D'Abernon's Diary," an Ambassador of Peace, Volume II.—The Years of Crisis (with Portraits), Hodder & Stoughton, 21/- net.]

Volume II. of Lord D'Abernon's Diary continues the story of post-War negotiations between the Allies and Germany, but the character of these negotiations altered with the change of years. Instead of a sterile discussion, mainly on figures, the period now described—the close of 1922 and the whole of 1923—is marked by dramatic action.

Veiled though they were by political reserve and diplomatic finesse, there existed an acute divergence of aims, a bitter conflict of wills.

The issue was not whether the German Treasury should pay a million marks, more or less; it was whether Germany as a political power should continue to exist as a leading force in the European conclave.

Few of those not in the inner councils of diplomacy and statesmanship fully grasped at the time the danger of the crisis which Europe traversed in 1923. Few are aware of it to-day. Readers of Lord D'Abernon's Diary will realise that if the French occupation of the Ruhr, which was carried through in January, 1923, had met with the tranquil success anticipated by its authors, Germany would have been deprived of her richest province—the source of the greater portion of her industrial strength. Economically, militarily and politically, she would have sunk to a subordinate position in the second rank.

The consequences did not stop there. So severe an amputation as the Ruhr could not have been endured by the Reich without subversive political reaction. Disruption would have occurred; provinces would have broken away; only the most violent political parties would have been listened to—sober statesmanship would have had no popular support.

The position of Europe would have been similar to that which resulted from the Peace of Tilsit in 1807. Indeed, the danger of subordination to military power from which Britain had saved Europe on four historical occasions—in the days of Philip of Spain; of Louis XIV.; of Napoleon, and of the Emperor William—might have become an accomplished fact. Britain had opposed the occupation of the Ruhr from the beginning, and had refused to be associated with it, not only on legal grounds, but from an instinctive distrust of so violent a policy and of its possible consequences and developments.

Lord D'Abernon's Diary reveals the true situation in 1923, and records the bitter struggle which ensued. On the one side, a determination so to weaken Germany as to render her innocuous for all time, even at the risk of political convulsion menacing the whole structure of Europe; on the other side, a firm, pacific will, bent on restoring harmony between enemies, resolute on the appeasement of animosities, and directed to the restoration of confidence by the establishment of reciprocal security. The conflict was prolonged for month after month. No final result was achieved during 1923, but by the close of that year the darkest moment was passed. Volume III. will record the years of recovery. Apart from the record of the Diary, Lord D'Abernon has added new sketches of political celebrities with whom he has been in contact or in controversy. Notable among these are pages on Asquith, Winston Churchill, and Poincaré, not less brilliant and revealing than those on Lloyd George, Curzon, and Balfour. The Preface contains an analysis of the character of the French nation—a penetrating study of their strong and weak points, based upon intimate knowledge and long experience. Written with friendly appreciation, this forms a brilliant counterpart to the description of the German nation, which was, so notable a feature in Volume I.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

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3-King of Bashan	4-Squander	5-To roar, as a deer
4-Squander	5-Econoclast	6-Blanching
6-Econoclast	7-Prefix. Asunder	8-Most unslightly
7-Prefix. Asunder	8-Imposing parade	9-Girl's name
8-Imposing parade	9-Girl's name	10-Petty disputes
9-Girl's name	10-Petty disputes	11-Roman number
10-Roman number	11-Roman number	12-Mentally sound
11-Roman number	12-Mentally sound	13-Ireland (post)
12-Mentally sound	13-Ireland (post)	14-To roar, as a deer
13-Ireland (post)	14-To roar, as a deer	15-Blanching
14-To roar, as a deer	15-Blanching	16-Asunder
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BIRKENHEAD'S SPEECHES

"The Speeches of Lord Birkenhead," with a Preface by the Rt. Hon. Lord Hugh Cecil, M.P., Cassell & Co., Ltd., 25/- net.]

Whether as lawyer or statesman the Earl of Birkenhead has proved himself one of the greatest orators of modern times.

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The book traces the life of the famous soldier from childhood, through his rather late entry into the Army, service in India, Egypt and South Africa, at home, through the four desperate years of Armageddon, and the final years of his life that were devoted to the service of the men whom he had led to victory.

The book is now published and addresses now delivered are selected from those delivered throughout Lord Birkenhead's public career.

Many of them the points at issue then are points at issue now, and the ex-Lord Chancellor's keen acumen and potent logic will do much to give the reader a clearer view of vital matters of the day. But in addition to all this the present volume will be a source of sheer delight to the many thousands who love clarity of thought and simplicity of language, who appreciate, in short, good English.

LORD FISHER

"Lord Fisher," by Admiral Sir Reginald Bacon, K.C.B., D.S.O., K.C.V.O. (Two Volumes, with Illustrations), Hodder and Stoughton, £2 2/- net.]

There is little doubt that history will record Lord Fisher as being the most remarkable Briton that the first two decades of this century have seen. His was a phenomenally successful sailor; wherever he served, on that part of the globe, for the moment, was the attention of the Navy riveted. As an Admiral in command of the Mediterranean Fleet he earned the golden opinion of all officers serving under him.

As Second Sea Lord he introduced the New Scheme of Naval Education, the chief feature of which was common entry for executive and engineer officers. He was a member of the Committee of Three who were responsible for the reform of the War Office.

As First Sea Lord he reorganized the Navy from top to bottom; scrapped all the useless ships; introduced the nucleus crew system of manning the ships in reserve, thereby immeasurably increasing the efficiency of the Navy in war. He introduced the Dreadnoughts, the long-range fighting capital ships, so cleverly that we obtained a two-year start over other countries.

The whole of the Navy at the time of Jutland was practically his creation. He was bitterly assailed by Lord Charles Beresford and other malcontents; and, although deserted by the politicians of the day, came out in the end victorious. Queen Victoria had a great regard for him; he might without great exaggeration be called personal friend of King Edward.

He was recalled in November, 1914, to repair the mistakes made by the Admiralty during the first few months of the War, and immediately planned, and sent, the large cruisers to annihilate Admiral Von Spee's squadron at the Battle of the Falkland Islands.

Differing with Mr. Churchill on the subject of reinforcements being sent to the Dardanelles at the expense of our forces in the North Sea, he resigned; and afterwards he became an impotent spectator of what he considered to be the apathetic way in which our war at sea was conducted.

His stormy life sheds a lurid light on the pusillanimous actions of our Government in peace time, and the inefficiency with which the War Council conducted the business of the War during the early months of hostilities. He possessed a wonderful personality, was a most forcible and entertaining writer, and the letters published in the book show.

There is not, the slightest doubt that Lord Fisher, more than any one else, was responsible for our unassassable supremacy at sea during the Great War. In this book the truth, so far as it can be ascertained, is told without fear or favour.

EARL HAIG

"Field-Marshal Earl Haig," by Brigadier-General John Charteris, C.M.G., D.S.O., M.P., Cassell & Co., Ltd., 25/- net.]

In this biography, which is the work of a distinguished soldier who was more closely associated with the British Commander-in-Chief throughout the last ten years of his service with the troops than perhaps any other officer, the claim is advanced and substantiated that Field-Marshal Earl Haig was one of the greatest leaders that our country has ever produced.

The book traces the life of the famous soldier from childhood, through his rather late entry into the Army, service in India, Egypt and South Africa, at home, through the four desperate years of Armageddon, and the final years of his life that were devoted to the service of the men whom he had led to victory.

New light is thrown upon the secret history of the great struggle against the Central Powers, and much discussion will result from the new aspects now revealed of men and affairs.

The statement is made, and supported by a weight of evidence, that on more than one occasion the strategy of the Commanders-in-Chief of the Allies was hampered by the interference of statesmen lacking expert knowledge of war in both France and Britain, and even subjected at times, with almost fatal results, to the exigencies of the political situation of the hour. It is claimed that much British blood was unnecessarily squandered as a consequence of such intervention by civilians in purely military matters.

Not less important is the new aspect presented of the circumstances which led to the unification of command in the last year of the War; and the results that sprang from it are placed in their proper perspective for the first time. It will be news to some readers that the final battles that achieved victory were undertaken on Haig's initiative alone, and that he was almost the only one of the allied leaders who anticipated success.

This is but one of the new aspects presented in this book of a distinguished Captain in War. Not less interesting are the pictures presented of his private life and character.

Haig the man will be found here drawn by one who knew him well, and the biography does justice not only to his merits as a great soldier, but those he possessed as a great gentleman and sincere Christian.

ROTHERMERE'S ESSAYS

"Lord Rothermere's Essays," Cassell & Co., Ltd., 3/- net.]

This book contains Lord Rothermere's opinions on matters of national importance and the actions of leading statesmen at home and abroad.

It is controversial, provocative, decided and well-reasoned. The opinions of so good a judge of domestic and foreign affairs as the author, would, in themselves, be worthy of attention, but in addition many of the

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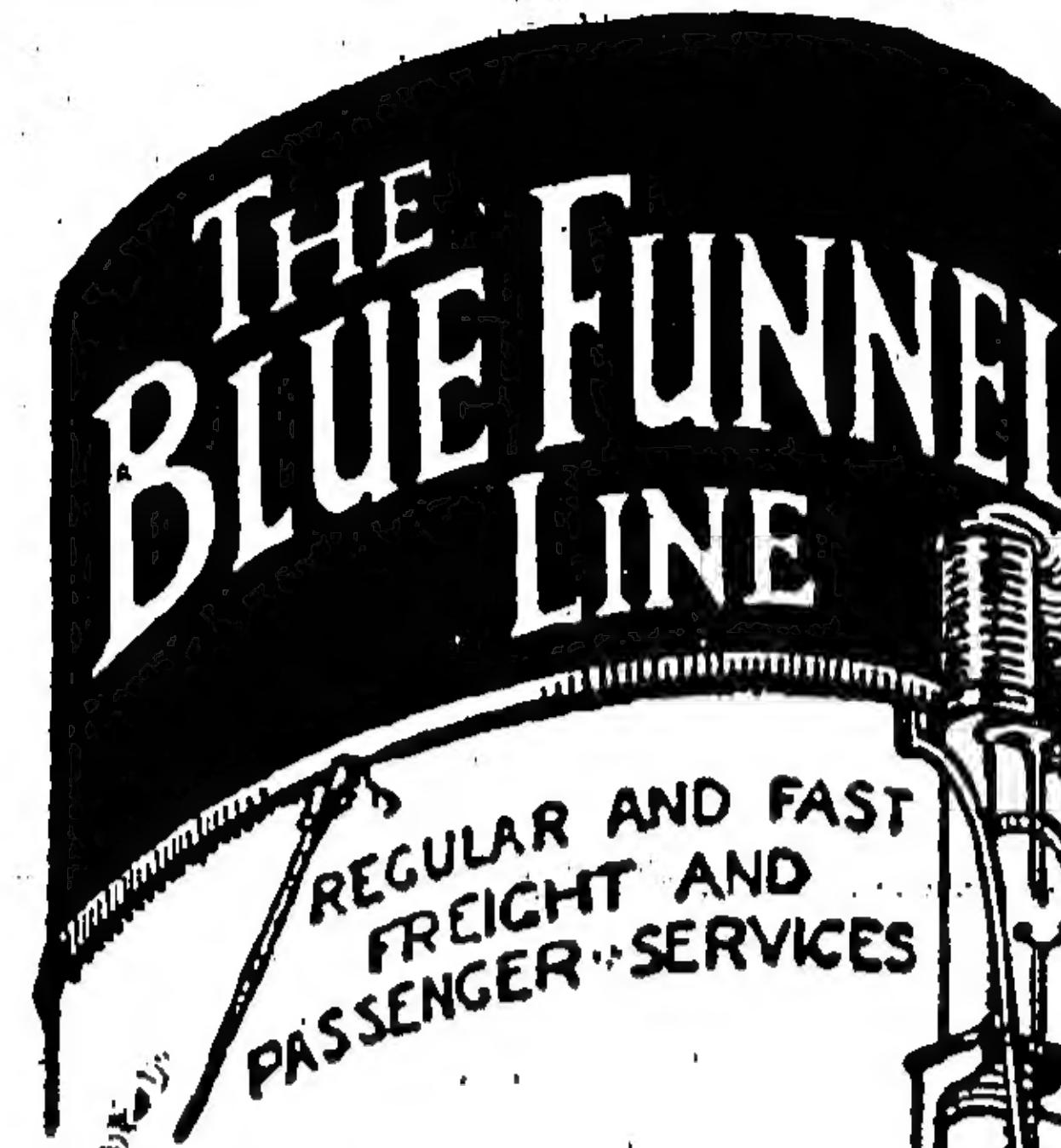
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INWARD MAIIS

From	Per	SATURDAY, JANUARY 18.
Java		Tjisoeraea
Shanghai and Swatow		Nanchang
SUNDAY, JANUARY 19.		
Shanghai and Amoy		Tjibadak
Amoy		Takada
Straits		Haruna Maru
MONDAY, JANUARY 20.		
Shanghai		Ouderkerk
Sandakan		Daviken
Manila		President Taft
Japan and Shanghai		Tenyu Maru
TUESDAY, JANUARY 21.		Montevideo Maru
Japan		Antenor
Japan and Shanghai		

OUTWARD MAIIS

For	Per	SATURDAY, JANUARY 18.
Fort Bayard		Wing Lee
Straits and Calcutta		Borneo Maru
Saigon		Heikton
Sam Shui and Wuchow		Kong Ning
Manila		President McKinley
Amoy		Shirala
Shanghai		Glengarry
Registration		Jan 18, 5 p.m.
Letters		8 p.m.
SUNDAY, JANUARY 19.		
Formosa via Swatow and Amoy		Canton Maru
Bangkok via Swatow		Kalagan
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow		Hai Ning
MONDAY, JANUARY 20.		
Manila		Ouderkerk
Shanghai		Baruna Maru
President Taft		10.30 a.m.
(Due Victoria, B.C. Feb. 7.)		Hydrangea
Parcels		2.30 p.m.
Registration		Antilochus
Letters		2.30 p.m.
SUNDAY, JANUARY 19.		
President Taft		9.30 a.m.
Registration		Baruna Maru
Letters		10.30 a.m.
Swatow		Antilochus
Parcels		2.30 p.m.
Registration		Antilochus
Letters		2.30 p.m.
Swatow and Amoy		Antilochus
Swatow		2.30 p.m.
TUESDAY, JANUARY 21.		
Manila		Takada
Straits and Calcutta		Parcels
Letters		Jan 21 11.30 a.m.
Letters		12.30 p.m.

Superscribed correspondence only.

EGYPT'S WEALTHY DRUG FIENDS

£13,500,000 A YEAR SPENT ON NARCOTICS

EUROPEAN FACTORIES

Cairo, Yesterday. On the eve of his departure to attend the opium conference at Geneva, Russel Pasha issued a report stating that it is not improbable that there are 500,000 drug addicts in Egypt, who are spending roughly £13,500,000 annually on drugs. He asserts that a Swiss firm in 1928 manufactured 3,340 kilos of heroin, which is two and a half times the world's legitimate requirements. The report adds that this is only one of several similar factories in Central Europe.—Reuter.

MURDER TRIAL

Echo of Textile Strike Disturbances

Gaston, Yesterday. The trial of five men charged with the alleged second degree murder of Mrs. Ella May Wiggins in September, 1929 (the woman who was in a lorry load of strikers), has been removed to Charlotte, North Carolina, on the application of the prosecution.—Reuter's American Service.

[Mrs. Wiggins was killed by a bullet fired at a lorry load of strikers proceeding to a trade union demonstration, in connection with the textile industry strike at North Carolina in September.]

COST OF LIVING

Said To Be Cheaper in Britain

Rugby, Yesterday. A slight fall in the cost of living is recorded in the monthly return of the Ministry of Labour, which states that on January 1, the average level of commodities was approximately sixty-six per cent. above that of July 1914. The corresponding figure for one month ago and one year ago was sixty-seven per cent. British Wireless Service.

H.K. BANISHEES

Canton to Give Them Asylum

Canton, Yesterday. Having regard to the deplorable condition of the destitute banished from Hong Kong, the officers in charge of the Asylum for the Poor are now giving them aid, on condition they have been jobless in Hong Kong before being admitted.—Canton News Agency.

U.S. FINANCE

Review by National City Bank President BRIGHT PROSPECTS

Following up the report of the results of the National City Bank of New York for the year ended December 31, 1929, comes the report of the speech by Mr. Charles E. Mitchell, Chairman of the Board of Directors, at the annual meeting of the Bank held in New York on January 14.—

"The National City Bank of New York showed net earnings last year after reserves for taxes, pensions, death benefits and management funds of U.S. \$22,587,841, according to Chairman Charles E. Mitchell, who addressed the shareholders of the institution at the annual meeting. The meeting resulted in the re-election of Directors for the ensuing year.

"Out of these profits was applied according to our fixed rule, Mr. Mitchell explained, a contingency reserve of U.S. \$18,610,000 were paid, and after year-end adjustment a balance of U.S. \$8,406,327 was carried to undivided profits as against U.S. \$5,817,659 similarly carried to undivided profits at the previous year-end.

"Mr. Mitchell noted an increase in the number of shareholders to 22,858 at the end of last year from 22,842 a year ago, this wider distribution being largely the result of the reduction being largely the result of the reduction of the par value of the stock from U.S. \$100 to \$20 per share effective last February 16.

"Discussing general conditions, Mr. Mitchell said with the lessening demand for credit in stock market, interest rates have fallen to normal figures, and considerable sums of foreign capital which had been employed here either in the form of loans or investments have been withdrawn. This return flow tends to restore international equilibrium, which had been disturbed by our importations of gold in preceding months of the year, and to promote more normal credit conditions the world over. Fall of prices on New York Stock Exchanges has been accompanied by similar movements on the Stock Exchanges of Europe, and the aggregate effect is a substantial lowering of interest rates in all money markets.

"Industrial production in the first half of the year was at a rate never before equalled, and notwithstanding the slackening in the last half the year's total probably has not been equalled in our history. The country has also made a new high record in foreign trade in past year. With allowance for decline of prices from post-war peak the aggregate figures are greater than in any previous year.

"All in all the past year has cleared itself, with difficulties to be sure,

of the dangers that menaced it from its very start. The correctives have caused the New Year to begin with somewhat diminished business activity, but the business organisation is not incapacitated in any respect nor is the physical wealth of the country impaired. Quite generally industry and trade are more adequately financed than at any time in the past. No serious disturbance of commodity prices has occurred. The decline of interest rates is favourable to enterprise, and the amount of constructional work planned for is greater than usual. A general feeling of confidence exists throughout the country. In view of these conditions, it does not appear probable that business will remain below the normal stage of activity for any protracted period."—Reuter.

ADVICE TO U.S.A.

Warned That It Is Still Adolescent

Philadelphia, Yesterday. General Smuts who is leaving for England to-day has given Americans some valuable parting advice.

Admitting that America is a young country, possessing amazing World Power he warned the country that it is still in a state of adolescence, and adolescents had a tendency to employ power mischievously. General Smuts believed that the country would gain in wisdom and it had already shown itself liberal minded.

"Greatness of strength in a nation," General Smuts declared, "only excites envy and malice in other nations unless it is mellowed by kindness made gracious by benevolence."

General Smuts closed with a plea for America to accept its responsibilities as one of the World Powers.—Reuter.

HOIHOW QUIET

Assurance to Foreign Residents

The situation at Hoihow, states a British Naval Communique, is at present quiet.

No trouble is anticipated and it is not likely that foreigners will be interfered with.

The foreign community at Hoihow is: 6 British, 2 French, 1 Danish, 16 American and 12 Japanese.

MASS POISONING TRIALS OPEN

RENNED VILLAGE BEAUTIES FACE MURDER CHARGES

GOULISH CRIMES

Budapest, Yesterday. The mass poisoning trials have been resumed at Szolnok, where two prosperous, middle aged matrons, once renowned village beauties, were brought up. One, Madame Foldvari, vehemently denied the charges of murdering her mother, husband, and sweetheart. The other accused, Madame Michael Kardos, denied that she gave Foldvari's husband poisoned wine on the occasion of Foldvari's paying a joint call. Madame Kardos also denied poisoning her own child from her first marriage, and declared that the latter was poisoned by a disreputable midwife who committed suicide.—Reuter.

COTTON TRADE

Organisations Agree to Amalgamate

London, Yesterday. The Lancashire cotton trade, is the first staple industry to take steps to profit from Mr. J. H. Thomas's financial assurances. The executive joint committee of cotton trade organisations in Manchester has lengthily considered the ways and means to formulate practical schemes, and has decided to encourage the principle of amalgamation. Various sections in the industry will make definite announcement on the proceeding in the iron and steel industry, with a view to the considerable extension of the movement towards amalgamation and reorganisation.—Reuter.

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